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## ORDER

### *Of the Organization of the House of Deputies, and prescribing the Duties of the Secretary.*

(Adopted October 15, 1841; amended October 2, 1844, October 9, 1874, October 26, 1874, October 8, 1877, October 25, 1877, and October 15, 1883.)

§ i. At the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention, the Secretary, or, in his absence, one of the Assistant Secretaries, in the order of their appointment, or, in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is to meet, shall call to order the members present of the House of Deputies, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him; which record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats in the House of Deputies. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary; and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. So soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and its readiness to proceed to business.

The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; transcribe them, with all reports, into a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to his successor; and perform such other duties as may be directed or assigned to him by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint three Assistant Secretaries; and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next Convention, and until their successors be chosen. If, during the recess of the General Convention, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretaries, or, if the Assistant Secretaries shall die or resign, a Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

§ ii. In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the list specified in the preceding section, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the Testimonials of Members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such Testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

§ iii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies, and the Treasurer of the Convention, although not returned as Deputies to the Convention, shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the approval of the President, to speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

§ iv. Previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

ORDER  
SECRETARY OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.  
THE REV. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.

Residence, MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS.

☞ To the Secretary of the House of Deputies, as Secretary of the Convention, copies of the Journals of Diocesan Conventions, together with such Episcopal Charges, Addresses, and Pastoral Letters as are issued in each Diocese, should be forwarded as soon as published. Duplicates of the same should be presented to the House of Deputies, as required by Title I., Canon 17, Sections iii. and iv. A certified copy of the testimonials of members appointed as Deputies to the next General Convention should be forwarded to the Secretary as soon as may be practicable. Duplicate testimonials are to be sent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese where the Convention is appointed to meet.

SECRETARY OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

THE REV. WILLIAM TATLOCK, D.D.

Residence, STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT.

☞ The Secretary of the House of Bishops calls attention to Title I., Canon 16, *Of a List of Ministers of this Church*. On or before the 15th of October in each year, the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction is to deliver to the Secretary of the House of Bishops a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their several Jurisdictions, with their respective cures or stations, or places of residence, to be published by him before the 1st of January following. And at or before each General Convention the Secretary is to be furnished with a list of ordinations and depositions since the preceding General Convention, to be published in the Journal.

TREASURER OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

LLOYD W. WELLS, ESQ.

Residence, 119 Second Avenue, NEW YORK CITY.

☞ Title III., Canon 1, Section v. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meeting of the General Convention, three dollars for each Clergyman within such Diocese.

☞ The GENERAL CONVENTION will meet in the city of Chicago, on the first Wednesday in October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.



## COMMITTEES

APPOINTED TO REPORT TO THE NEXT GENERAL CONVENTION,

AND

### PERMANENT COMMISSIONS.

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#### HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

*Commission on the Revision of the Course of Theological Study* (appointed, 1856; re-appointed, 1868; continued, 1871, 1874, 1877, 1880, 1883).

The Bishops of Connecticut, California, Western New York, and Ohio.

*Commission on Moravian Orders* (appointed, 1880; continued, 1883).

The Bishops of Connecticut, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Florida, and Central Pennsylvania.

*Commission on the Mexican Branch of the Catholic Church* (reconstituted, 1880).

The Bishops of Delaware, Connecticut, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Western New York, Long Island, and Albany.

*Committee on the Formation of Missionary Jurisdictions into Dioceses* (appointed, 1880).

The Bishops of Pennsylvania, Long Island, Central Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and South Carolina.

*Committee to confer with the English Church as to a Board of Reference on Foreign Missions of the Anglican Communion* (appointed, 1880; continued, 1883).

The Presiding Bishop, the Bishop in charge of American Churches in Europe, the Bishops of Connecticut, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

*Commission to prepare a Version of "The Creed and the other Acts of the Undisputed General Councils"* (appointed, 1880; re-constituted, 1883).

The Rev. William Adams, D.D., the Rev. Daniel R. Goodwin, D.D., the Rev. George W. Dean, D.D.

*Committee on notifying Bishops-nominate of their Election* (appointed, 1880).

The Bishops of Pennsylvania, Long Island, Central Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and North Carolina.

*Committee to report appropriate Forms and Certificates* (appointed, 1883).

The Bishops of Connecticut, Albany, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

*Committee to report what Vestments are lawful in this Church* (appointed, 1883).

The Bishops of Connecticut, Western New York, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

*Custodian of the Standard Bible.*

The Rev. Jesse A. Spencer, D.D.

## HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

*Standing Committee on Expenses.*

Mr. George C. Shattuck, M.D.; the Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D.D., the Rev. Dr. Doty, the Rev. Dr. Gibson, the Rev. Mr. Spalding; Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. Lemuel Coffin, Mr. Richard M. Nelson, Mr. James Bridge, Mr. John H. Stiness, Mr. John H. Devereux, Mr. Jasper W. Gilbert, Mr. Horace O. Moss, and the Secretary of the Convention.

*Committee on Canons of Ordination.*

The Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, D.D.; Mr. George F. Edmunds, and Mr. Hugh W. Sheffey, LL.D.

*Committee on the Godly Discipline of the Laity.*

The Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. J. S. Shipman, D.D.; Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D., Mr. Columbus Delano, LL.D., and Mr. Hugh W. Sheffey, LL.D.

## JOINT COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS.

*Commission on Church Archives* (appointed 1868).

The Bishops of Connecticut, and Pennsylvania; the Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D.D., LL.D., the Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley, D.D., LL.D.; Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D., and Mr. Hamilton Fish, LL.D.

*Committee to report a Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the German Language* (originally appointed, 1850; re-appointed, 1862; continued from Convention to Convention).

The Bishops of Maryland, New Jersey, and Western New York; the Rev. Daniel R. Goodwin, D.D., LL.D., the Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D., LL.D., the Rev. George Leeds, D.D., the Rev. J. Isidor Mombert, D.D., the Rev. Alexander Falk, Ph.D., the Rev. Edwin Harwood, D.D., the Rev. Johannes Rochstrahl; and Mr. Henry Drisler, LL.D.

*Committee to report a Version on the Book of Common Prayer in the French Language* (appointed, 1863; continued from Convention to Convention).

The Bishops of Louisiana, Missouri, and the Assistant Bishop of New York; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Clinton Locke, D.D., the Rev. John Percival, D.D.; Mr. Edward H. Perkins, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, and Professor Eggleston.

*Committee to report a Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Italian Language* (appointed, 1874; continued from Convention to Convention).

The Bishop of Central New York, and the Assistant Bishop of North Carolina; the Rev. Robert J. Nevin, D.D., the Rev. Constantine Stauder; Mr. Francis P. Nash.

*Committee to report a Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Norwegian and Swedish Languages* (appointed, 1883).

The Bishops of Albany, Wisconsin, and Iowa; the Rev. George A. Carstensen, the Rev. Arthur C. Stilson; and Mr. Henry M. Braem.

*Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations* (appointed, 1874; continued from Convention to Convention).

The Bishops of Connecticut, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Western New York, Florida, Long Island, Albany, and Central New York; the Rev. N. H. Schenck, D.D., the Rev. George Leeds, D.D., the Rev. T. F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. W. F. Morgan, D.D., the Rev. E. A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. R. S. Howland, D.D., the Rev. C. K. Hale, D.D., the Rev. C. R. Baker; Mr. John A. King, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr. John Jay, Mr. Hamilton Fish, Mr. Henry Chauncy, Mr. Philip F. Nash, Mr. W. B. Cutting, and Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

*Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen* (appointed 1877; continued from Convention to Convention).

The Bishops of Pennsylvania, Central Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Easton, and Michigan; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. George Leeds, D.D., the Rev. Henry Anstice, D.D.; Mr. Orlando Meads, LL.D., Mr. Stephen P. Nash, Mr. Robert A. Lamberton, LL.D. Mr. George C. Hance, and Mr. John H. Shoenberger.

*Commission on Church Incorporations and the Tenure of Church Property* (appointed, 1880; continued, 1883).

The Bishops of Central New York, Maine, and Nevada; the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D.D., the Rev. William Adams, D.D., the Rev. D. D. Chapin; Mr. Alexander H. McGuffey, Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D., and Mr. Samuel K. Wilson.

*Committee on the Book of Common Prayer* (appointed, 1880; continued, 1883).

The Bishops of Connecticut, Easton, Pennsylvania, Western New York, Florida, Albany, and Central New York; the Rev. William R. Huntington, D.D., the Rev. Daniel R. Goodwin, D.D., the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Edwin Harwood, D.D., the Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, D.D., the Rev. Francis Harison, S.T.D.; Mr. Hamilton Fish, LL.D., Mr. Henry Coppée, LL.D., Mr. Hugh W. Sheffey, LL.D., Mr. E. T. Wilder, Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. James M. Smith, LL.D., and Mr. Hill Burgwin.

*Committee to edit the "Book Annexed"* (appointed, 1883).

The Bishop of Albany; the Rev. W. R. Huntington, D.D.; Mr. Hamilton Fish, LL.D.

*Committee on the Observance of the Centennial of this Church* (appointed, 1880; continued, 1883).

The Bishops of Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Iowa; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D.; Mr. Lemuel Coffin, Mr. Benjamin Stark, and Mr. Henry Coppée, LL.D.

*Committee on the subject of Marriage (appointed, 1883).*

The Bishops of Rhode Island, Albany, and Central New York; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. John Fulton, D.D., the Rev. Benjamin Franklin, D.D.; Mr. Jasper W. Gilbert, Mr. Edmund H. Bennett, LL.D., and Mr. Moses M. Granger, LL.D.

*Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants (appointed, 1883).*

The Bishops of Nebraska, Northern Texas, and Northern New Jersey; the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. George S. Converse; Mr. Reverdy Johnson, Mr. Charles Tracy, and Mr. Lemuel Coffin.

*Committee on the Relations of the two Houses of the General Convention (appointed, 1883).*

The Bishops of Ohio, Western New York, Central Pennsylvania, and Quincy; the Rev. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., the Rev. Meyer Lewin, D.D., the Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D.D.; Mr. George F. Edmunds, Mr. Stephen P. Nash, and Mr. Malcom Hay.

*Committee to certify Changes in the Constitution and Canons.*

The Bishops of Pennsylvania and Iowa; the Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., and the Rev. Francis Harison, S.T.D.

*Deputation to attend the next Provincial Synod of Canada.*

The Bishops of North Carolina and Michigan; the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. George S. Converse; Mr. Charles Abert and Mr. Richard M. Nelson.

*Standing Committee on Churches in Foreign Lands (appointed, 1874; continued from Convention to Convention).*

The Rev. William F. Morgan, D.D., the Rev. Robert S. Howland, D.D.; Mr. Hamilton Fish, LL.D., and Mr. John A. King.

*Board of Reference on the subject of Prayer Books to be used by Native Congregations in Heathen Countries in Communion with the Anglican Church (appointed, 1880; continued, 1883.)*

The Presiding Bishop; the Permanent Chairman of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions; the Chairman, for the time being, of the Committee of the House of Bishops on the Prayer Book; the Chairman, for the time being, of the House of Bishops on Foreign Missions; the Bishop in charge of American Churches on the Continent of Europe; and the Chairmen of the sub-committees of the Foreign Committee on the Missions of Africa, China, and Japan, respectively.

*Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.*

The Bishops of Delaware and Easton; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. William A. Snively, D.D.; Mr. Stephen P. Nash, Mr. William Alexander Smith, and Mr. Lloyd W. Wells.

*Registrar of the General Convention.*

The Rev. John H. Hobart, D.D., *Fishkill-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.*

*Deputy Registrar.*

The Bishop of Iowa.

*Custodian of the Stereotype Plates of the Standard Prayer Book.*

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*Bishop of Connecticut.*

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*Stamford, Conn.*

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The Rev. George F. Nelson,  
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- Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Utah and Idaho. *Salt Lake City, Utah.*
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- John Nicholas Galleher, D.D., Bishop of Louisiana. *New Orleans, La.*
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- Legh Richmond Brewer, S.T.D., Missionary Bishop of Montana. *Helena, Montana.*
- John Adams Paddock, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory. *Fort Colville, W.T.*
- Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh. *Pittsburg, Penn.*
- Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Mississippi.
- David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop of Indiana. *Indianapolis, Ind.*
- Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., Assistant Bishop of New York. *New-York City.*
- Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

#### BISHOPS WHO HAVE RESIGNED THEIR SEES.

- Horatio Southgate, D.D., late Missionary Bishop at Constantinople. *Morristania, N.Y.*
- William Forbes Adams, D.D., late Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.
- Charles Clifton Penick, D.D., late Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas.
- Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewsky, D.D., late Missionary Bishop of Shanghai.

#### Bishop-elect.

- William D. Walker, Missionary Bishop-elect of North Dakota.

*Elected by the House of Bishops under the Provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution.*

- James Theodore Holly, D.D., Bishop of Haiti. *Port au Prince.*
- Henry Chauncey Riley, D.D., Bishop of the Valley of Mexico.



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#### FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

CHRIST CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA,  
Wednesday, October 3, 1883.

THIS being the day appointed in the Constitution, and the place appointed by the last General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Right Rev. the Bishops of Kentucky, Delaware, Mississippi, Rhode Island, Texas, Ohio, Easton, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Kansas, Tennessee, Nebraska and Dakota, Maine, Utah and Idaho, Florida, Georgia, Vermont, Missouri, Oregon, Albany, Central New York, Nevada, Arkansas, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Central Pennsylvania, Niobrara, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Colorado and Wyoming, Wisconsin, Western Texas, Northern California, Northern Texas, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishops of New Jersey, Western Michigan, Southern Ohio, Illinois, Fond du Lac, Iowa, Cape Palmas, Quincy, Springfield, Michigan, Northern New Jersey, Louisiana, New Mexico, Montana, Washington Territory, Pittsburgh, and the Assistant Bishop of Mississippi, attended Divine Service with the House of Deputies in Christ Church. The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Rochester was also present.

Morning Prayer and Litany was said by the Rev. Dr. Potter, Secretary of the House of Bishops; the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Secretary of the House of Deputies; and the Rev. Drs. Morton and MacVickar of Philadelphia; the Presiding Bishop pronouncing the Absolution. The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop of Delaware, assisted by the Bishops of Easton, Missis-

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After Divine Service the Bishops above named assembled in the tower of Christ Church, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with; and, on nomination, the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., was elected Secretary, and announced, that, with the approbation of the Presiding Bishop, he had appointed the Rev. William Tatlock, D.D., as Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to inform the House of Deputies that this House is organized, and ready to proceed to business.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet in the Chapel of Holy Trinity Church, on Thursday morning, one hour after Morning Prayer.

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## SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

CHAPEL OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA,  
Thursday, October 4, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Delaware in the chair.

The Bishops of Missouri and Iowa introduced to the House the Right. Rev. George K. Dunlop, S.T.D., Missionary Bishop of New Mexico; the Bishops of Vermont and Massachusetts introduced the Right Rev. Legh Richmond Brewer, S.T.D., Missionary Bishop of Montana; the Bishop of Massachusetts introduced the Right Rev. John Adams Paddock, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Washington; the Bishops of Ohio and New Jersey introduced the Right Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh; the Bishops of Mississippi and Alabama introduced the Right Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Mississippi, consecrated since the last meeting of the House; and they were welcomed by the Bishop presiding.

The roll was called. Present as yesterday, with the addition of the Bishops of Connecticut, Western New York, and West Virginia.

The Bishop presiding announced the death, since the last meeting of the House, of

The Right Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of North Carolina. Consecrated October 17, 1853. Deceased June 4, 1881.

The Right Rev. John Barrett Kerfoot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh. Consecrated January 25, 1866. Deceased July 10, 1881.

The Right Rev. Joseph Cruickshank Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Indiana. Consecrated February 15, 1860. Deceased January 15, 1883.

The Right Rev. William Pinkney, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Maryland. Consecrated October 6, 1870. Deceased July 4, 1883;

after which he said the Collect for All Saints' Day.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

A Committee of the House of Deputies, consisting of the Hon. Mr. Stevenson of Kentucky, and the Rev. Dr. Leeds of Maryland, was introduced, and announced that that House had organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Beardsley of Connecticut as President, and the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins of Massachusetts as Secretary.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania introduced to the House the Right Rev. Anthony W. Thorold, D.D., Lord Bishop of Rochester, who was welcomed by the Bishop presiding, and afterwards addressed the House.

The Secretary asked permission to appoint a Second Assistant Secretary, which was granted; and the Secretary thereupon announced that he had appointed the Rev. George F. Nelson, of the Diocese of New York, as a Second Assistant Secretary.

The Bishop of Albany offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Rules of Order be amended by adding as follows, viz. :

#### FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

6. The House shall then proceed to elect a Chairman of the House, who shall be Assessor to the Presiding Bishop; and in his absence, or at his request, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House.

#### GENERAL RULES.

II. The Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman of the House, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on the Committee shall act as its Chairman. The Standing Committees, to be announced not later than the third day of the session, shall be as follows:—

1. On the Admission of New Dioceses.

2. On the Pastoral Letter, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be Chairman.

3. On the Care of all Religious Services connected with the General Convention.

4. On the Consecration of Bishops.

5. On Amendments to the Constitution.
6. On Canons.
7. On the General Theological Seminary.
8. On Domestic Missions.
9. On Foreign Missions.
10. On the Prayer Book.
11. On Christian Education.
12. On Memorials and Petitions.
13. On Unfinished Business.
14. On Despatch of Business.

The Bishop of Delaware made a statement touching the matter now referred to, with certain suggestions, which he submitted in writing, as follows : —

#### STANDING ORDERS OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

Substitute proposed for Nos. 1 and 2 (Journal of 1880, p. 508).

At every stated session of the General Convention, the House of Bishops shall elect, from their own body, a President and Vice-President, whose term of office shall commence from the date of adjournment of the same General Convention, and continue until the close of the next stated session of the General Convention. The President shall perform all the duties of Presiding Officer of the House, and shall also preside at meetings of the Bishops in Council. He shall be the Presiding Bishop of this Church for all purposes specified in the Constitution and Canons. In case of the death or disability of the President, all the duties of his office shall be discharged by the Vice-President, during the remainder of his term.

The Bishop of Easton moved that the propositions of the Bishop of Albany, respecting the presidency of this body, together with the communication of the Bishop of Delaware, just now presented, be referred to a special committee, composed of the five senior Bishops in attendance at this time : and the said Committee be authorized and requested to consider and report whether the present mode of appointing the Presiding Bishop needs to be changed or amended, — which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany moved that the second General Rule of Order be suspended, — which was not adopted.

The Bishop presiding announced the following Standing Committees, viz. : —

*On the Admission of New Dioceses.* — The Bishops of Rhode Island, Oregon, Northern Texas, and Nevada.

*On the Consecration of Bishops.* — The Bishops of Delaware, Texas, New Jersey, Fond du Lac, and West Virginia.

*On Amendments to the Constitution.* — The Bishops of Connecticut, Alabama, Long Island, and Springfield. (The Assistant Bishop of Kentucky was afterwards substituted for the Bishop of Alabama.)

*On Canons.* — The Bishops of Pennsylvania, Central Pennsylvania, Mas-

sachusetts, North Carolina, and Iowa. (The Bishops of Missouri and Albany were added subsequently.)

*On Domestic Missions.* — The Bishops of Minnesota, Maine, Kansas, and Western Texas.

*On Foreign Missions.* — The Bishops of Ohio, Niobrara, South Carolina, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, and the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

*On the Prayer Book.* — The Bishops of Western New York, Georgia, Albany, and Michigan.

*On Memorials and Petitions.* — The Bishops of Nebraska, Central New York, and Western Michigan.

*On the General Theological Seminary.* — The Bishops of Easton, Missouri, New Hampshire, and Colorado.

*On Unfinished Business.* — The Bishops of Florida, Arkansas, and Quincy.

*On Despatch of Business.* — The Bishops of Utah, Vermont, and Illinois.

*On Christian Education.* — The Bishops of Central New York, Wisconsin, Tennessee, Northern New Jersey, and Louisiana.

The Bishop presiding communicated to the House the following message, which was read by the Secretary, viz. : —

*To Secretary General Convention, Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia.*

The Archbishop of Canterbury, and the President of the Church Congress assembled at Reading, send brotherly greeting to the General Convention of the American Church, for which the Congress has prayed this morning.

LORD BISHOP OXFORD.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to send by ocean-cable an acknowledgment of the above, in the name of the Presiding Bishop.

The Secretary read communications from the Union League, and the Library Company of Philadelphia, offering the privileges of these institutions to the House. On motion, the Secretary was instructed to accept these invitations, with the thanks of this House.

The Bishop of Springfield presented papers in relation to the election of the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., as Bishop of Indiana, which, on his motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, which, on motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

The Bishop of Easton presented the Report of the Joint Committee on the Lectionary, which, at his request, was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the propriety of so altering the Canons on the Missionary Episcopate as to allow a Missionary Bishop the option of becoming the Diocesan of any Diocese created out of his Jurisdiction.

On motion of the Bishop of Kansas, the following changes in the Canons, especially in Canon 15 of Title I., proposed by him, were referred to the Committee on Canons:—

1. That the phrase in Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., [1.], on p. 63, "shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States," be changed so as to read, "shall communicate the same to every Bishop of this Church in the United States having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction."

2. That the phrase in same Canon, Section xvii., [1.], p. 81, "shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to each Bishop of this Church then within the limits of the United States," be changed so as to read, "shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to each Bishop of this Church, having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, then within the limits of the United States."

3. That the phrase in same Canon, Section ix., [2.], p. 73, "shall transmit notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of each vacant Diocese," shall be changed so as to read, "shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church."

4. That the clauses in same Canon, Section xv., [1.], [2.], p. 77, which now read, "of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop," be changed so as to read, "of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of an Assistant Bishop, or of a Missionary Bishop."

5. That Section vi. of same Canon be stricken from the Canon as not needed.

6. That the clause in Section xv., [2.], p. 77, "the full Episcopal charge," be changed so as to read, "the Provisional charge."

7. That, in the event of the adoption of the change last proposed, then in [3.] of same Section xv., the phrase, "of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of an Assistant Bishop, or of a Missionary Bishop," be changed so as to read, "of such Provisional Bishop."

8. That the phrase in same Canon, Section vii., [5.], p. 66, "Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section," be changed so as to read, "Any Domestic Missionary Bishop or Bishops."

9. That the phrase in the same Canon and Section, [3.], p. 63, "vacant Missionary Episcopate," be changed to "vacant Missionary Jurisdiction."

10. That, in the same Canon, on p. 79, instead of [4.] and [5.] of Section xvi., the following be substituted:—

[4.] No Bishop whose resignation of Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction has been consummated pursuant to this Section shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Missionary Jurisdiction or to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts, at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Jurisdiction.

[5.] A Bishop who ceases to have Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

11. That in the same Canon, to [2.] of Section vii., the following Proviso be added: "*Provided*, that any such action of the House of Bishops in creating Domestic Missionary Jurisdictions shall not be so construed as to prevent the



organization of a Diocese or Dioceses, as contemplated by the first clause of Article 5 of the Constitution, within the limits of any Missionary Jurisdiction created under this Section; it being further distinctly understood and hereby declared that such action of the House of Bishops is designed, in the intention of this Section, to prepare for and facilitate the earliest practicable organization of Dioceses within the limits of such Missionary Jurisdictions."

12. That, in this Canon and Section, the first sentence or paragraph of [5.] be made a Sub-section by itself, be numbered as [5.], as follows: "[5.] Any such Domestic Missionary Bishop or Bishops shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States."

13. That, in this same Canon, Section, and Sub-section, the second paragraph or sentence be changed to a separate Sub-section to read as follows:—

[6.] Whenever in any State or Territory, or in any part of any State or Territory within the Jurisdiction of such a Missionary Bishop, there shall have been, during the year previous, according to the requirement of Section i. of this Canon, not less than six Parishes, and not less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such Jurisdiction, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, then such State or Territory, or such part of such State or Territory, may be organized as a Diocese; and whenever, within said limits, there shall have been, during the year previous, not less than nine Parishes, and not less than nine Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such Jurisdiction, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, then such State or Territory, or such part of such State or Territory, shall be organized as a Diocese. In the organization of a Diocese under this Sub-section, the Missionary Bishop and the Missionary Jurisdiction shall have all the powers and perform all the duties assigned to Diocesan Bishops and to Dioceses under Canon 6 of Title III., which is hereby authorized as a rule for such organization.

Whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the Jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if the said new Diocese shall include the whole of his Jurisdiction, such Missionary Bishop shall become the Diocesan thereof.

If the said new Diocese shall include only a part of his Jurisdiction, such Missionary Bishop shall elect whether he will be the Diocesan thereof, or whether he will remain as Missionary Bishop within the residue of his previous Jurisdiction.

If he elect to become the Diocesan of the new Diocese, a Missionary Bishop shall, at the earliest time practicable under the Canons, be appointed for said residue, or, if a majority of the Bishops shall advise and consent to it, and for such time as they shall prescribe, he may retain his Missionary appointment and continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original Jurisdiction.

If he elect to remain as Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original Jurisdiction, then said new Diocese shall proceed to elect its own Diocesan, and to procure his consecration according to the provisions of Sections ii., iii., and iv. of this Canon.

14. That, in this same section, the present Sub-sections [6.] and [7.] be numbered as Sub-sections [7.] and [8.].

15. That, in Title III., Canon 6, Sections i. and ii. be changed so as to read as follows:—

§ i. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese or of any Missionary Jurisdiction, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, or of Missionary Jurisdictions, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction within the limits of which a Diocese is

formed, or, in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

§ ii. In case there shall be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction within the limits of which the new one is erected, or the Standing Committee of the eldest of the Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions, by the junction of which or parts of which the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following preamble and resolution, viz. : —

WHEREAS, Grave doubts exist as to the personal responsibility of each Bishop for the sentiments expressed and the statements made in the Pastoral Letters which are from time to time put forth by the House of Bishops: therefore,

*Resolved*, That a Committee of five Bishops be appointed to take into consideration this question, and report, as soon as practicable, their judgment on this point;

which resolution was adopted.

The Bishop presiding appointed, as such Committee, the Bishops of, Connecticut, Texas, Central New York, Springfield, and Michigan.

The Bishop of Ohio presented the Report of the Missionary Bishop of Yedo (see Appendix II. 3), which, having been read by the Secretary, was referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Bishop of Missouri moved that it be referred to the Committee on Amendments of the Constitution, to consider what amendment of Article 3 is necessary, in order to make clear whether the days in which the Bishops of this Church meet with the members of the House of Deputies, as a Board of Missions, are to be included in the three days within which approbation or disapprobation of action of the House of Deputies is to be expressed before the action of said House becomes operative, — which was adopted.

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider the propriety of so amending the Canons as to allow the retirement of a Bishop,

at the age of seventy, from his Jurisdiction, if he be so minded, and allowing him to retain his seat in the House of Bishops, and all the rights and precedences that he would be otherwise entitled to;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany presented papers in relation to the election of the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., as Assistant Bishop of New York, which, on his motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, it was

*Resolved*, That this House take a recess daily, at one o'clock, for one hour; and the adjournment be at four o'clock, except on Saturday, when the adjournment shall be at one o'clock.

The Bishop of Albany offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That this House recommends to the Church the observance of the Sunday next before Advent, or of any day in the week in which the Festival of St. Andrew occurs, as a time of special intercession for Missions; and that this resolution be communicated, by the Presiding Bishop, to the Archbishops of Canterbury, York, Armagh, and Dublin, the Primus of the Scottish Church, the various Metropolitans of the Colonial Churches in communion with the Church of England, and the Bishops of the Church in Haiti and the Valley of Mexico;

which, after remarks by the Bishop of Rochester, was adopted.

The House took a recess.

The House assembled after recess.

The Bishop presiding appointed the Bishops of Western Texas and Pittsburgh a Committee to prepare a daily statement of the action of the House for the press.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented a draft of a Canon on Organized Religious Societies within the Church, as found on p. 246 of the Journal of 1880, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented a Memorial from members of St. Mark's Parish, Washington, D.C., on the subject of a correct translation of the Sixth Commandment, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials.

The Bishop of Connecticut offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Rev. William Adams, D.D., the Rev. Daniel R. Goodwin, D. D., and the Rev. George W. Dean, D.D., be appointed a Commission to prepare a version of the "Creed and the other Acts of the undisputed

General Councils," and to report their action to the next General Convention;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following preamble and resolution, viz. : —

WHEREAS, The Canons do not define the mode of "the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish;"

AND WHEREAS, The limitation of the right of Diocesan legislation on this subject is matter of question;

AND WHEREAS, By practices extensively prevailing in "the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish," Clerical reputation is injured, and the teaching of Holy Scripture and the Church of the sacredness of the Ministry, is set aside;

AND WHEREAS, Parishes are often long vacant, and worthy Ministers are excluded from their functions and forbidden to live of the Gospel;

AND WHEREAS, The work of the Church is thus sadly hindered, and there is a growing feeling that some mode should be devised more in accordance with the authoritative language of the Ordinal: therefore

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, be appointed, who shall make to this Convention a preliminary report looking to a thorough consideration of the subject of the election of a Minister into a Church or Parish, and its presentation to the next General Convention;

which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Alabama offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to consider and report upon the propriety of inserting the words "or Missionary Bishop" after the word "Bishop" in Section xvi., [4.], of Canon 15, Title I.;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Texas offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be and is hereby instructed to inquire and report upon the expediency of amending [4.], Section xvi., Canon 15, of Title I., by striking out the words "under any circumstances be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union with this Church;"

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Texas offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be and is hereby instructed to inquire and report upon the expediency of amending [4.], Section xvi., Canon 15, Title I., so as to make plain whether the disability declared against a resigned Bishop is intended to affect only Diocesan Bishops, or all Bishops of the Church;

which was adopted.

The Assistant Bishop of Kentucky presented the resignation of the Bishop of Cape Palmas, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies, viz. : —

2D DAY OF THE SESSION,  
October 4, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 1.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution: —

WHEREAS, It is the judgment of the Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now assembled, that the present era in the history of its progress is marked by circumstances which specially excite deep concern, and profound gratitude to the great Head of the Church for His guidance in enabling us to carry out the wisdom and piety of our fathers, and thus securing to us "the Faith once delivered to the Saints;" and

WHEREAS, In the opinion of the members of this Convention, it is a happy arrangement that its opening services were held in an edifice hallowed by sacred associations, this being the place in which its first Council was held, and the spot made precious by the remains of Bishop White: therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Deputies of this Convention desire to meet, as they have met in former years, the honored dignitaries of the Church, for mutual congratulation and thanksgiving.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be respectfully invited to appoint a Committee of the House, to arrange a time and place for the accomplishment of this purpose.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, it was

*Resolved*, That this House will have great pleasure in meeting with the House of Deputies for the purpose indicated in Message No. 1; and that a Committee of two Bishops be appointed to meet with any Committee on the subject which may be appointed by the House of Deputies in order to give effect to the resolution.

The Bishop presiding appointed, on such Committee, the Bishops of Alabama and Missouri.

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vii., be amended so as to read as follows, viz. : —

When any person, duly confirmed and admitted as a Communicant of this Church, desires to become a Candidate for Holy Orders, with a dispensation from the usual period of candidateship but not from any canonical examination prescribed for the Diaconate and Priesthood, and applies for this dispensation on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, then, on such ground, the Bishop may proceed as follows:

[1.] He shall require such evidence of the age, academic attainments, unblemished character, and pious living of the said person, as he judges equivalent, in all respects, to that required by the Canons in other cases. And no person shall be entitled to dispensation under this Canon who has not fully attained the age of thirty years.

[2.] If for any reason such person shall not be able to obtain such testimony, as is required by Canon, from members of this Church, as to his life and character for three years previous to his application, it shall suffice to



obtain a like certificate, signed by others, professing faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and known to be men of virtuous life and character: *provided*, always, that not less than three members of this Church, and at least one Presbyter of the same, subscribe their names to such certificate, as from evidence satisfactory to them; adding also what they can testify from personal knowledge.

[3.] If such person be not a graduate in arts of some reputable college or university, he must be examined, as elsewhere required in these Canons, in the case of literate persons not graduates.

[4.] Also, his examinations in theology shall be the same as are required of candidates for the Priesthood.

[5.] The Bishop, by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, may then admit such a person as candidate, fixing the term of his candidateship as by the said Standing Committee may be recommended.

[6.] But, if in any case the term so recommended shall seem to the Bishop inexpedient, he may extend or shorten it, by and with the advice and consent of three learned Presbyters of his own Diocese, being Rectors of Parishes, provided the said term be in no case less than for the period of ———;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to consider and report upon the best method of providing for the common religious services of the General Convention, and upon other matters of common interest and convenience;

which was adopted.

An invitation was received from the House of Refuge, which, on motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, was accepted, and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge the same.

The Bishop of Connecticut offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report on the desirableness of providing by Canon for the publication of an authentic list of the Clergy of this Church, in the Journal or otherwise;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany moved the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report upon the expediency of repealing or modifying [4.] of Section ii. of Canon 11, of Title II., which requires that a person deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause he has also abandoned its Communion, shall live in Lay-communion with this Church for three years next preceding his application for such remission;

which was adopted.

The Bishop presiding appointed, as the Committee on the Religious Services of the General Convention, the Bishops of Western



New York, Ohio, and Quincy; and, on motion, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania was added to the Committee.

On motion, the House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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### THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 5, 1883.

The House met, and adjourned to sit with the members of the House of Deputies as the Board of Missions.

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### FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 6, 1883.

The House met, and adjourned to meet with the members of the House of Deputies as the Board of Missions.

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### FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 8, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called; present, as at the second day's session.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented a letter from the University Club, offering its privileges to the House.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the Secretary was instructed to accept the invitation, with the thanks of the House.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the General Rule which requires that the Standing Committees shall consist of not more than five nor less than three members, be so far changed that the Committee on Canons shall consist of seven members, appointed at the discretion of the President; which was adopted.

The Chair appointed the Bishops of Missouri and Albany as the additional members of the Committee on Canons under the above Resolution.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following report, viz. : —

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution of the Bishop of Missouri, proposing an amendment to Article 3 of the Constitution, recommend the adoption of the following addition to the said Article: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following sentence be inserted in Article 3 of the Constitution, after the words, "it shall have the operation of law," in the sixteenth line, viz. : "*provided*, that days on which there is no session of the House of Bishops be not counted among the three days aforesaid."

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, the above resolution was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented a petition for a division of the Diocese of Tennessee, which, with the several accompanying pamphlets and tables of statistics, was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

The Bishop of Illinois presented a Memorial asking that the name of the Diocese of Illinois be changed to the Diocese of Chicago, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials. (See Appendix XI. 1.)

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution, which was laid on the table for the present, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the following be added to the Rules of Order of this House, viz. : —

That on the days when the Bishops meet with the Deputies as a Board of Missions, the Bishop presiding shall call the House to order at the ordinary hour for assembling, when the usual opening service shall be had, and the call of the Committees be made, and the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report any business which urgently demands the attention of this House: *provided*, that the House shall adjourn in time to attend at the time appointed for the assembling of the Board of Missions; and also *provided*, that, if the Board of Missions shall adjourn before the customary hour of adjournment of this House, the House of Bishops shall then resume its session.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 9, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called ; present, as yesterday.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution,  
viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies be respectfully requested to return Message No. 2 from the House of Bishops; it having been communicated to the House of Deputies by an inadvertence;

which was adopted.

Leave was granted the Secretary to amend the Minutes accordingly.

A Memorial (see Appendix XI. 2) presented by the Missionary Bishop of Colorado, as to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Wyoming, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

A Memorial (see Appendix XI. 3) presented by the Bishop of Nebraska, in regard to two proposed Missionary Jurisdictions in Dakota, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Connecticut moved to suspend the rules in order to go into Council ; which was ordered.

The House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of South Carolina submitted papers from the Seawanee Conference and the Convention of Colored Clergy in New York ; which were, on motion, referred to a Special Committee consisting of the Bishops of Georgia, Central New York, the Bishop of Western Texas, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, and the Bishop of Michigan.

Message No. 2 was received from the House of Deputies (concurring in Message No. 2 from this House, relating to the mode of election of a Clergyman into a Church or Parish, which message had been recalled).

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 8, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 3.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed as its Committee to meet the Committee of the House of Bishops, named in its Message No. 3, the Rev. Dr. White of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Van Deusen of Central New York, Mr. Stewart of Maryland, and Mr. Harrison of Pennsylvania.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, and on motion referred to the Standing Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, viz. : —

OCTOBER 8, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 4.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of the House of Deputies be and is hereby given to the transfer of the county of Manitou from the Diocese of Michigan to the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania submitted the following, viz. : —

## REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a draught of a Canon on Organized Religious Societies within the Church, respectfully report the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following Canon be enacted, to be entitled Canon 6 of Title III., "Of Organized Religious Societies within the Church:" —

§ i. All organized Religious Bodies in this Church, of which the avowed object is the increase of holy living and of good works, and the members of which are in any manner set apart and specially devoted to such service of God in his Church as the orderly co-operation with Christ's Ministers, the edifying of His Body, the Christian education of the young, and the promotion of works of mercy and charity, are hereby declared to owe allegiance to the doctrine and ritual of the Protestant Episcopal Church, whose professed representatives and agents they become, and also due recognition of its constituted authorities, and obedience to the same. And without such allegiance and obedient recognition, such organized bodies may not claim the sanction of this Church.

§ ii. [1.] Women of devout character and approved fitness may be set apart by any Bishop of this Church, for the work of a Deaconess, according to such form as may be authorized by the Bishop of the Diocese, unless otherwise provided for by the House of Bishops.

[2.] The duties of a Deaconess are declared to be the care of our Lord's poor and sick, the education of the young, the religious instruction of the neglected, the reclaiming of the fallen, and other works of Christian charity.

[3.] No woman shall be set apart for the work of a Deaconess until she be twenty-five (25) years of age, unless the Bishop, for special reasons, shall determine otherwise; but in no case shall the age be less than twenty-one (21) years. The Bishop shall also satisfy himself that the candidate has had an adequate preparation for her work, both technical and religious, which preparation shall have covered the period of at least one (1) year.

[4.] No Deaconess shall work officially in a Diocese without the express authority in writing of the Bishop of the Diocese, nor in any Parish without the permission of the Rector or Minister thereof.

[5.] Deaconesses may be transferred from one Diocese to another by proper letters dimissory, at the request of the Bishop to whose Jurisdiction they are to be so transferred.

[6.] If a Deaconess should at any time resign her office, she shall not be restored thereto, unless, in the judgment of the Bishop, such resignation was for weighty cause. And no Deaconess shall be removed from office by the Bishop, except with the consent of two-thirds of the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese duly convened.

[7.] The constitution and rules for the government of any institution for the training of Deaconesses, or of any community in which such Deaconesses are associated, must have the sanction in writing of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such institution or community exists. All formularies of common worship used in such institution or community must have the like sanction, and shall be in harmony with the usage of this Church, and the principles of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ iii. [1.] Devout women desirous of living in community under rule, with the sanction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, for the increase of self-consecration to God and the better performance of the works of faith enjoined in the Gospel, may be formed into societies with the consent of the Bishop; and such societies, under the conditions named below, shall be recognized as Sisterhoods in this Church.

[2.] The constitutions and rules of such societies, prescribing their organic structure, the qualifications for entrance, the regulations for the common life, and the scope and methods of their work, must have the written approval of the Bishop then exercising jurisdiction in the Diocese; and the said constitution and rules, so far as thus approved, shall be unalterable by the same Bishop or by the Sisterhood within his Diocese, except by their joint act and agreement.

[3.] The form and order for entrance into such Sisterhood shall be drawn up and prescribed by the Bishop of the Diocese, unless otherwise provided for by the House of Bishops.

[4.] The Bishop shall have Episcopal supervision and Canonical authority over Sisterhoods within his jurisdiction, and may act as Visitor thereof.

[5.] Every such Sisterhood may have its Chaplain or Pastor, who shall be nominated by the Society within the Diocese, and subject to the approval of the Bishop, and who shall be a Clergyman in Priest's Orders canonically subject to the Bishop.

[6.] In matters concerning only the Christian walk and conversation of the Sisters as individuals, — their personal concerns and private devotional life, — Sisters are free to govern themselves in the sight of God, so that all be done in the spirit and methods commended by this Church. But the formularies of common worship in a Sisterhood, and all devotional practices in such worship (other than as usual in this Church), and the books of devotion or religious instruction used in ministering to others, shall be subject to the examination and approval of the Bishop, and shall be in harmony with the usage of this Church and the principles of the Book of Common Prayer.

[7.] No Sisterhood shall send any of its members to another Diocese to work there, except on the request of the Bishop of that Diocese, and with the consent of its own Bishop; nor shall any member of a Sisterhood work officially among the people of any Parish of this Church without the consent of the Rector or Minister thereof.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman.*

The Bishop of Pennsylvania having moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution, —

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the consideration of the subject was made the Order of the Day for Wednesday, at three o'clock.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following, viz. : —

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred sundry resolutions touching the interpretation of Canon 15, Title I., respectfully report the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That [4.], Section xvi., Canon 15, of Title I., be amended so as to read as follows, to wit: —

[4.] No Diocesan or Missionary Bishop, whose resignation of his Episcopal Jurisdiction has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may be hereafter admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts, at the request of any Bishop of this Church, having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the foregoing Report was made the Order of the Day immediately after the Order of the Day appointed for Wednesday at three o'clock.

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania presented the following, viz. : —

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Canons, to whom it was referred to consider the propriety of so amending the Canons as to allow the retirement of a Bishop at the age of seventy years, etc., beg leave to report, that, in their judgment, such permission is highly expedient, giving relief alike to the Church and to its worn and weary servants, whose retirement from active duty should be attended only by conditions of honor and comfort.

Your Committee recommend the following amendments of Canon 15 of Title I. Introduce the following as Section xvi. : —

SECTION XVI., CANON 15, TITLE I.

[1.] Any Bishop of this Church who has attained to the age of seventy years, and who, by reason of advancing age, or for other cause, desires relief from his official labors, may, on his own motion, retire from his Jurisdiction, with the consent of the Convention of his Diocese, and of a majority of the Bishops of this Church having Jurisdiction, certified and made known to the Presiding Bishop. If he be a Missionary Bishop, the consent of a majority of the Bishops shall suffice.

[2.] The Presiding Bishop, when assured of such consent, shall pronounce said Bishop retired, and shall make record of this fact, and communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such retirement to be recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops, that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of being retired be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop, shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

[3.] A Bishop so retired shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, and



all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled. He may perform Episcopal acts, at the request of any Bishop of this Church, within the bounds of the Jurisdiction of the said Bishop, or at the request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese having no Bishop; but he shall not be eligible to the Episcopate of any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church, or of any Missionary Jurisdiction.

[5.], of Section xvii., shall be amended so as to read:—

[5.] A Bishop who ceases to have Episcopal Jurisdiction shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

And because it was special legislation made to suit a single case, not likely to recur, and because other Canon Law has since been enacted which in any event would supersede the application of this statute, they recommend that [6.], Section xvii., of Canon 15, of Title I., Of Resignation of a Suspended Bishop, be repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the foregoing Report was ordered to be printed, and made the Order of the Day for Friday, at twelve o'clock.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following, viz.:—

#### REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of inquiry respecting the expediency of repealing or modifying [4.], Section ii., of Canon 11, of Title II., respectfully report the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That [4.], of Section ii., of Canon 11, of Title II., of the Digest of Canons, requiring the continuance of a deposed Clergyman in lay-communion with this Church for three years prior to restoration, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, the foregoing Report was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Nebraska presented the following Report, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book, viz.:—

#### REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Rector, Vestrymen, and certain members of St. Mark's Parish, Washington City, on the subject of a change in the wording of the Sixth Commandment, beg leave to report that in their opinion this matter should be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book; and they therefore propose the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the Memorial aforesaid be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

ROBERT H. CLARKSON.  
F. D. HUNTINGTON.  
GEO. D. GILLESPIE.

The Bishop of Nebraska presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Bishop and Deputies of the Diocese of Illinois, asking, on behalf of and at the request of the Diocesan Convention of the Diocese of Illinois, that the name of said Diocese be changed to "The Diocese of Chicago," beg leave to report that they have considered the subject matter of said Memorial, and are of the opinion that the petition of the Diocese should be granted. They therefore offer the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the consent of this Convention is hereby granted to the Diocese of Illinois, to change its name to that of "The Diocese of Chicago."

*Resolved* further, That, if such change of name shall be made by said Diocese in pursuance of this consent, then and in that case, the Convention of said Diocese shall cause notification thereof to be made to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whereupon said Diocese shall thereafter be known and recognized by the General Convention as the Diocese of Chicago.

ROBERT H. CLARKSON.  
F. D. HUNTINGTON.  
GEO. D. GILLESPIE.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, the foregoing Report was laid on the table, to be called up at an appropriate time.

The Bishop of Missouri presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Joint Committee appointed to arrange the time and place for the proposed meeting of the members of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies for social intercourse, beg leave respectfully to report that they recommend to-day (Tuesday), between the hours of two and three, as the time, and the drawing-rooms of the Aldine Hotel as the place, for such meeting.

They therefore offer the following resolutions for adoption:—

*Resolved*, That to-day (Tuesday), from the hour of two to three o'clock, be the time, and the drawing-rooms of the Aldine Hotel be the place, for the proposed meeting of the members of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies for the interchange of friendly greetings.

*Resolved*, That the acknowledgments of this General Convention be conveyed to the proprietors of the Aldine Hotel for their courteous proffer of their rooms for the occasion; and that the Secretary of the House of Deputies be requested to convey to them this expression of our feeling.

RICHARD H. WILMER,  
C. F. ROBERTSON,  
*Committee of the House of Bishops.*  
GEORGE WHITE,  
E. A. HOFFMAN,  
WILLIAM A. STEWART,  
GEO. L. HARRISON,  
*Committee of the House of Deputies.*

On motion, the first resolution as reported was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on Moravian Orders, appointed in 1880, respectfully report:—

That they have had the subject committed to them under careful consideration, but find themselves precluded from taking any definite action, or recommending any legislation on the part of the General Convention, by reason of the fact that the subject matter has already been referred to a Special Committee of the Lambeth Conference of 1878.

It may be hoped that the Report of that Committee will lead to united action on the part of the National Churches represented in the Conference; in view of which possibility, separate action by any one of them would seem to be most undesirable.

The Committee respectfully ask to be continued.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Committee was continued.

The Bishop of Easton presented the following Report : —

The Deputation appointed to attend the Meeting of the Provincial Synod of Canada beg leave to make their report.

It pleased God to take out of this world the Hon. John B. Howe of Indiana, after his appointment as Deputy; Mr. Erastus Corning was detained at home by pressing engagements; and the Bishop of Missouri, by the unexpected death of an eminent Diocesan official and personal friend. We, the rest, attended the opening Service of the Synod, and other Sessions. We were most cordially received, and the Bishop of Easton was appointed to deliver the sermon before the Synod at the first service; the Bishop of Southern Ohio, who, while not of the Delegation, was in attendance as a visitor, preached the sermon in the Cathedral on the evening of the same day; and the Rev. Dr. Knight was appointed to preach on Sunday at the Cathedral, and the Rev. Dr. Benedict to speak at a large and important Missionary Meeting. We also each addressed the Synod, and in your name invited them to send a Delegation to this body. We were much struck and cheered by the evidence, at this great gathering, of quiet but uninterrupted growth, missionary zeal, and quickened spiritual life, in this our Sister Church.

HENRY C. LAY.

C. F. KNIGHT.

SAMUEL BENEDICT.

The Bishop of Easton presented the Fourth Triennial Report of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen. (See Appendix V.)

The Bishop of Massachusetts offered the following resolution, which, on motion of the Missionary Bishop of Niobrara, was referred to the Committee on Despatch of Business, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Clerical, and three Lay Deputies, be appointed to con-

sider, and report as early as practicable, whether any action on the part of this Convention is desirable and practicable, and, if so, what action—to facilitate the more prompt and full consideration and despatch of such business as, having been canonically accomplished in one House, awaits the canonical action of the other House, in order to effect either its discharge from further consideration, or its completion as the lawful expression of the mind and will of the Church in General Convention.

The Bishop of Missouri presented a remonstrance against the proposed division of the Diocese of Tennessee, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

The Bishop of Long Island appeared, and took his seat.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to act with a Committee of the House of Deputies as a Joint Committee on Expenses.

The Bishop presiding appointed as members of the Committee under the foregoing resolution, the Bishops of Missouri, Wisconsin, and New Jersey.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Standing Committees of each House be authorized to meet with the Standing Committees of the other House on the same subject, as a Joint Committee.

The House took a recess till three o'clock.

The House assembled after recess.

The following Message was received, and on motion referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, viz. :—

OCTOBER 9, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 5.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of this Convention is hereby granted to the Diocese of Illinois, to change its name to that of “The Diocese of Chicago.”

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That if such change of name shall be made by such Diocese, and the Convention of such Diocese shall cause notification thereof to be made to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, said Diocese shall thereafter be known and recognized by the General Convention as “The Diocese of Chicago.”

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, and on motion referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, viz. :—

OCTOBER 9, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 6.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of the House of Deputies be and is hereby given, for the erection of the proposed new Diocese within the present Diocese of North Carolina.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Lord Bishop of Rochester made a parting address to the House, to which the Bishop presiding replied; and at the conclusion of the addresses the Bishop presiding read the Prayer for Safety at Sea, in view of the Bishop's return to England.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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### SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

OCTOBER 10, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called; present, as yesterday, with the exception of the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

The Bishops of Easton and Quincy introduced to the House the Lord Bishop of Fredericton, Metropolitan of Canada, who was welcomed by the Bishop presiding.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop presiding presented the following report from the Presiding Bishop, viz.:—

#### REPORT OF OFFICIAL ACTS SINCE THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1879.

Took Order for Consecration of

Right Rev. George Kelly Dunlop, November 21, 1880.

Right Rev. Legh Richmond Brewer, December 8, 1880.

Right Rev. John Adams Paddock, December 15, 1880.

Right Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, January 25, 1882.

Right Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, February 24, 1883.

Received the letter of resignation of

Right Rev. Charles Clifton Penick, of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Cape Palmas, and parts adjacent.

B. B. SMITH, *Bishop of Kentucky, and Presiding Bishop*.  
NEW YORK, October, 1883.

The Bishop presiding presented a Memorial relative to the coloured race, from John H. Stotsenburg, which, on motion, was

referred to the Special Committee on the report of the Sewanee Conference, etc., appointed on the sixth day of the session.

The following Message was received : —

OCTOBER 9, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies accedes to the request of the House of Bishops, as contained in its Message No. 4, and herewith returns its Message No. 2.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Rhode Island presented the following : —

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred Message No. 4, requesting consent to the transfer of the County of Manitou from the Diocese of Michigan to the Diocese of Western Michigan, beg respectfully to report, that they have considered the question addressed to them, and recommend the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That this House concur in Message No. 4, of the House of Deputies, consenting to the transfer of the County of Manitou from the Diocese of Michigan to the Diocese of Western Michigan.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Rhode Island presented the following Report No. 2, from the Committee on New Dioceses, viz. : —

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on New Dioceses, to whom was referred Message No. 5, of the House of Deputies, requesting consent to the change of name of the Diocese of Illinois, to that of "The Diocese of Chicago," respectfully report that they have considered the question addressed to them, and recommend the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That this House concur in Message No. 5, of the House of Deputies, consenting to the proposed change of name by the Diocese of Illinois.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following : —

REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred certain resolutions offered by the Bishop of Kansas, proposing certain changes in Title I., Canon 15, respectfully report that they have considered the subject referred, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., clause [1.], be amended by the insertion of the words "having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction," after the words "Bishops of the Church in the United States," so that the clause will read, —

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the



desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the presiding Bishop or Bishops aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

2. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section vi., be, and the same is, hereby repealed.

3. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the word "Episcopate" in Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., be changed to "Jurisdiction," so that the clause as amended will read as follows, to wit :—

[3.] In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

4. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section ix., [2.], be amended so as to read as follows, beginning at the top of p. 73 of the Digest, to wit :—

On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States, which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

5. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xv., clauses [2.] and [3.], be amended so as to read as follows :—

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Assistant Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled; until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

[3.] No Diocese thus placed under the provisional charge of a Bishop, or Assistant or Missionary Bishop, aforesaid, shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, or exercise authority, till its connection with the first Bishop has expired or is revoked.

6. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvii., [1.], be amended so as to read as follows—beginning with the second sentence of the said clause, viz. :—

And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to every Bishop of this Church then within the limits of the United States, and having Ecclesiastical Juris-

diction; and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

It was further

7. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of certain proposed amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., [5.], touching the erection of Dioceses out of Missionary Jurisdictions; and beg that the said proposed legislation be referred by the House to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary of Committee*.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the second resolution as reported was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the third resolution as reported was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the fourth resolution as reported was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, the fifth resolution was re-committed.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the sixth resolution as reported was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the seventh resolution as reported by the Committee was adopted.

The Missionary Bishop of Utah presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee on Despatch of Business, to whom was referred the resolution of the Bishop of Massachusetts concerning facilitating joint action of the two Houses of the General Convention, beg to report:—

That, while approving of the tenor of the resolution, they do not deem it expedient for this House to take the action recommended. The Committee ask, therefore, to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

DANIEL S. TUTTLE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented a Report from the Committee appointed in 1880, on the Mode of Nominating Missionary Bishops; which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, which on motion was laid on the table for the present, viz. :—

The Committee of the five senior Bishops, to whom were referred the proposition of the Bishop of Delaware concerning a change in the Standing Orders of this House, and the amendment to the Rules of Order proposed by the Bishop of Albany, ask leave to report, —

That they are prepared to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the Rules of Order be amended by adding as follows, the numbering of the other rules to be changed accordingly:—

#### FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

6. The House shall then proceed to elect a Chairman of the House, who shall be Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, and in his absence, or at his request, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House. He shall continue in office until the General Convention following that in which he was elected; and shall give the Presiding Bishop such aid, in the *interim* between said Conventions, as the Presiding Bishop shall request.

*Resolved*, That the General Rules be amended by substituting for the word "President," in the first line of Rule II., the words "Chairman of the House," and by changing the order of the Committees as follows:—

1. On the Prayer Book.
2. On Amendments to the Constitution.
3. On Canons.
4. On the Pastoral Letter, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be Chairman.
5. On the conduct of all religious services connected with the Convention.
6. On Domestic Missions.
7. On Foreign Missions.
8. On Christian Education.
9. On the Consecration of Bishops.
10. On the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.
11. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
12. On the General Theological Seminary.
13. On Memorials and Petitions.
14. On Unfinished Business.
15. On Despatch of Business.

And by inserting after *d*, in Daily Order, "*e*, Reports of Commissions," and lettering what follows accordingly.

ALFRED LEE.  
J. WILLIAMS.  
THOMAS M. CLARK.  
ALEXANDER GREGG.

The Bishop of Quincy presented the following Report, which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present, viz. :—

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of united services of the two Houses of the Convention, and other matters of common interest to both Houses, respectfully report:—

The House of Deputies has a Rule of Order, which in substance has existed as such rule, or as a standing resolution, for many years, that the daily session shall be opened by the Morning Service of the Church.

The Bishops have attended service with the Deputies, part of the time by unexpressed consent, and part of the time by resolution or Rule of Order. This habit may have had its rise in the small number of the Bishops, as recognized in Article 3 of the Constitution.

Now that this House has become much enlarged, and its position as a separate part of the General Convention is very apparent, and is daily rec-

ognized as essential to the perfected law of the Church, another arrangement is proper and desirable.

It is eminently desirable that both Houses should be opened by a united service.

The Committee recommend the following standing resolution to be adopted by both Houses of the General Convention:—

(1) *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the daily session of the Convention be opened by the Morning Service of the Church. This service on each day shall be under the direction of one of the Bishops, selected by rule of the House of Bishops, who shall be assisted by such Presbyters, members of the House of Deputies, as may be selected by that House.

The Committee also recommend the following resolution to be adopted by the House:—

(2) *Resolved*, That Rule I. of the Daily Order be so amended as to read: “Rule I. Bishops shall be selected by lot, on the first day of the session, whose duty it shall be, in the order of such selection, to take charge of the united Morning Service of the General Convention.”

Again, since the Houses are co-ordinate in the legislative council of the Church, the Committee think it proper that this House take direct action in the publication of the report of such of its proceedings as originates or completes legislation.

The Committee, therefore, recommend the following to be adopted as a standing resolution:—

(3) *Resolved*, That two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each General Convention, to take charge, together with the Secretary of the House of Bishops, of the journal of its proceedings, and to see that the whole, or such parts of it as the House may direct, be entered in its proper place in the Journal of the General Convention.

Again: The House of Bishops is required to act upon any perfected action communicated to them by the House of Deputies, within the space of three days: in failure whereof, the Act of the House of Deputies, by Article 2 of the Constitution, becomes law. It has several times occurred, through inadvertence on the part of the House of Deputies, or through pressure of business, that perfected action of the House of Bishops has remained upon their president's table, without consideration, for days, or has been returned to the House of Bishops too late in the session for reconsideration or due deliberation. Thus measures carefully considered, and even unanimously adopted, in the House of Bishops, have failed for years to become law in the Church.

Your Committee think, too, that due consideration of the equal voice of both Houses in legislation demands action on the part of the House of Deputies equivalent to that contemplated in the following resolution, the passage of which the Committee recommend:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies be respectfully requested to adopt such a rule as will give to the perfected action of the House of Bishops, communicated to them on one day, precedence, on the next day, to all business on their Calendar.

The Committee have become persuaded that the meetings of the Convention, as a Board of Missions, should be held in the after-part of the day, and, as far as may be, in the evening; that is, after dark. At such times, men engaged during the day, and many women, however deeply interested, who cannot spare the mornings, will be able to attend conveniently.

The Committee also believe that due attention to other interests of the Church, and to legislative business, requires a session of the House of Bishops every day. They recommend, therefore, to the House, to adopt a resolution, or Rule of Order, that shall provide for such session, except special adjournment over any day or days be ordered, in this language or to this effect: “(5) *Ordered*, That the House of Bishops shall assemble on every morning during the period of the General Convention, except the Lord's

Day, for business, unless adjournment beyond that morning has been ordered by vote of the House."

The Committee also advise that a rule be adopted by the Board of Missions in accordance with the plan and action above recommended.

The Committee respectfully ask to be continued in office for further consideration of points upon which report is herewith made, and of other matters which they think to have been referred to them.

M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE.

A. CLEVELAND COXE.

G. T. BEDELL.

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

The Chair appointed the following as the Standing Committee on the Pastoral Letter :—

The Presiding Bishop, by Rule of Order; the Bishops of Easton, Central New York, New Hampshire, and Michigan.

The House took a recess.

The House assembled after recess.

An invitation was received from William P. Clyde, Esq., to accept the use of a steamship for an excursion on Friday, 12th or 19th inst.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be returned to William P. Clyde, Esq., for his courteous proffer of a steamer for an excursion. The House regrets that the pressure of its business compels it to decline the invitation; which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Secretary was instructed to prepare a Calendar of the Orders of the Day, and of papers laid-on the table.

The Missionary Bishop of Utah presented his Triennial Report; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Wisconsin offered the following proposed Canon, viz. :—

#### TITLE II., CANON 12.

§ i. Every baptized person or Communicant of this Church shall be in care of some Clergyman of the same, to whom the obedience required in the Gospel shall be rendered, and who shall watch for his soul as one that must give account.

The name of such baptized person or Communicant shall appear upon the register contemplated to be kept by each Congregation (Title I., Canon 17, Section i.).

§ ii. Those persons shall be considered baptized, within the meaning of the foregoing Section, who have received the sacrament of Baptism in this Church, or whose Baptism has been accepted by her; and those persons shall be considered Communicants who by Confirmation therein, or by Confirmation accepted by a Bishop thereof, shall be entitled to Holy Communion.



§ iii. The names of baptized persons or of Communicants, or of families containing baptized persons connected with any Congregation, shall not be removed from the register thereof (unless such persons shall have been officially separated, or have formally separated themselves from this Church), until transferred to the Pastoral care of some other Clergyman of the same, and an acknowledgment of such transfer shall have been received.

§ iv. In case said baptized persons, or Communicants, or families containing baptized persons, have removed to some locality where there is no Church organization, or the name of the Clergyman having lawful jurisdiction over which is not known to him upon whom it is incumbent to make the transfer, then the transfer shall be to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which the removal has been made.

And the Bishop of each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction shall designate some person to officially receive, on his behalf, such transfers, and to record the same in a suitable book prepared and kept for such purpose, and to re-transfer to the proper Pastoral charge within his Episcopal Jurisdiction; or, if such aforesaid persons shall be found to have again removed, then to the proper authority outside his Episcopal Jurisdiction; a record of such subsequent transaction being kept in the afore-named book, that the Church may not lose knowledge of her children.

And the name and address of such official, designated by the Bishop to receive and make transfers on his behalf, shall be printed annually upon the cover of the Diocesan Journal.

§ v. If such baptized persons, or Communicants, or families, have removed without the Pastor's knowledge, and one year elapse without their place of residence being ascertained by him, then transfer shall be made to the official designated by the Bishop for the Pastor's own Diocese, and shall by him be retained upon the book provided for in Section iv. of this Canon, until their residence be known.

§ vi. Every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction shall provide columns in the Annual Report required of Parishes and other Congregations, for the insertion, respectively, of the number of such non-resident baptized persons and Communicants and families.

Object of the following amendment : To secure a correct list of *members* of the Church, as well as of Communicants.

#### TITLE I., CANON 17, SECTION I.

Amend by adding in line ten, before the word "Communicants," the words "*baptized persons and of;*" and after the word "Communicants," the reference to proposed Canon, "(Title II., Canon 12, Section ii.)."

On motion, the foregoing proposed Canon was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Missouri moved that the hour for adjournment on each afternoon, except Saturday, be fixed at half-past four, — which was adopted.

The Missionary Bishop of Colorado presented his Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3) ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That Article 10 of the Constitution be so amended as to read as follows : —



“Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated when the approbation of at least *three-fourths* of the Bishops of this Church has been signified in writing to the Presiding Bishop;”

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Constitution be requested to inquire into the expediency of appointing a Joint Commission for the purpose of formulating and codifying the Law of Discipline in this Church in such wise as to avoid uncertainties, and to secure a just restraint in all matters of doctrine, ritual, and morals; and that said Committee be further requested to advise this House whether it may not be referred to such Commission to provide some other mode, not of the nature of criminal procedure, for the settlement of vexed questions, and also to provide an Appellate Court of ultimate resort for the final determination of Ecclesiastical causes;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following proposed Amendment to Title II., Canon 9, “Of the Trial of a Bishop,” viz. :—

§ ii. The proceedings in the case of the trial of a Bishop, under this canon, shall be such as may be prescribed by Rules of Procedure, adopted as such by the General Convention, in the same form and manner as canons are made; and such rules shall have the force and character of a canon.

§ iii. Until other Rules of Procedure shall be canonically adopted, they shall continue to be the same now in force, and now known as Sections ii., iii., iv., v., vi., vii., viii., of Canon 9, Title II., of the Digest.

§ iv. The above Sections are hereby repealed, in so far as they are Sections of the Canon aforesaid, but not otherwise;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A letter from the Academy of Natural Sciences was read, inviting the House to the privileges of the Academy; and, on motion, the Secretary was directed to accept the invitation, with the thanks of the House.

An invitation was received from the Trustees of the Philadelphia Library, and also of the Rush Library, offering the privileges of those Libraries to the House; and the Secretary was directed to accept their invitation, with the thanks of the House.

The following Message was received :—

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MESSAGE No. 8.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concur in Message No. 5, from the House of Bishops (authorizing the Standing Committees of both Houses to meet in joint session on the same subject).

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

# EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 11, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called ; present, as yesterday.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop of Rhode Island presented the following Report :—

The Committee on the Admission of new Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Tennessee, requesting consent to the erection of a new Diocese within the Diocese of Tennessee, respectfully report, that they have had the matter referred to them under consideration, and do not think it expedient at this time to give the consent desired, and therefore beg to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

THOMAS M. CLARK, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Louisiana appeared, and took his seat.

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following Report, viz. :—

## REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was recommitted the fifth resolution of their Report No. 5, for further consideration, respectfully report, that they have given the subject-matter referred to them their careful revision, and recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xv., [2.] and [3.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for a time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its convention, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Assistant Bishop of another Diocese, etc.

[3.] No Diocese thus placed under said provisional charge shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, etc.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report :—

## REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution of the Bishop of Western Michigan, respecting the election of a Minister into a Church or Parish, respectfully report, that they have considered the same, and recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution offered by the Bishop of Western Michigan,

and that the said resolution be referred to the Joint Committee on the functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen, with the urgent request that the said Joint Committee report, at as early a date as possible, on the important matters intrusted to their consideration.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Order of the Day appointed for eleven o'clock having been reached, —

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved the adoption, as a whole, of the Canon in regard to Organized Religious Societies within the Church, found on pp. 118, 119, and 120 of the Journal of the General Convention of 1880, and as contained in Message No. 35 from the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies, dated Oct. 22, 1880.

On motion of the Bishop of Utah, the matter was laid on the table for the present.

The Order of the Day was, on motion, suspended, to receive the following Report, presented by the Bishop of Rhode Island, viz. : —

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred Message No. 6, relating to the erection of a new Diocese within the Diocese of North Carolina, respectfully report that they have had the matter under consideration, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House does concur with the House of Deputies in the matter of the erection of a new Diocese within the Diocese of North Carolina.

THOMAS M. CLARK, *Chairman*.

The question being on the foregoing resolution, —

The Bishop of Michigan offered the following as an amendment, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in Message No. 6 of the House of Deputies, giving consent to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the Diocese of North Carolina, for the reasons that it has not satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese, and that it does not consider the erection of such Diocese to be expedient at this time;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Joint Committee on Testimonials, appointed at the last General Convention, ask leave to report, that, inasmuch as the matters referred to them

are already before the House of Deputies in another form, they respectfully request to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Albany moved to amend the Report of the Committee on Canons, No. 2, by striking out the words "or Missionary," in Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], (Ineligibility of Resigned Bishops), — which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany moved the adoption of the whole Canon, as reported. Pending action, the House took a recess till two o'clock.

On the re-assembling of the House, after recess, the Bishop of Quincy moved the postponement of the Order of the Day, — which was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy called up the report of the Special Committee on Joint Services, etc. On his motion, the first resolution was adopted. On his motion, the second resolution was adopted. On his motion, the third resolution was adopted. The question being on the fourth resolution, the Missionary Bishop of Utah moved to lay it on the table; which was not adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the fourth resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the fifth resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be directed to select by lot from all members of the House present in this Convention, with the exception of such as have already taken part in the daily Opening Service, such a number of Bishops as will probably be sufficient to carry out the design of Rule I. of the Daily Order, for the residue of the session of the Convention; and that he keep a list of the Bishops so selected, open upon the table;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Easton having requested to be excused from serving on the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, the Bishop of South Carolina was appointed in his place.

On motion, it was decided that the Bishop actually presiding at the sessions of the House was the Chairman of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, under the Rule of Order.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Canons, No. 2, on the Ineligibility of Resigned Bishops, having been called, the Bishop of Nebraska moved to reconsider the vote on

the amendment of the Bishop of Albany, to strike out the words "or Missionary," — which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany having withdrawn his motion to amend, the Bishop of Kansas offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the Report No. 2, of the Committee on Canons, which proposed a change in Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi. and [4.], touching the Ineligibility of Resigned Bishops, be referred to a Special Committee of five Bishops, who shall consider and report upon the whole subject of the Translation of Bishops;

which was adopted.

The Bishop presiding appointed as such Committee, the Bishops of Kansas, Alabama, Nebraska, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, and the Assistant Bishop of Mississippi.

The Bishop of Albany moved a reference to the same Committee, of the following, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], be amended by striking out the words, "under any circumstances be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or that may hereafter be admitted into union with this Church;"

So that the Section shall read, "No Bishop whose resignation of his Episcopal Jurisdiction has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall have a seat in the House of Bishops, but he may perform Episcopal duty at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese;"

which was referred accordingly.

The Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas presented his Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3) ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory presented his Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3) ; which, on motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Long Island moved the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following be appointed as members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Churches, viz. ; The Rev. William F. Morgan, D.D. ; the Rev. Robert S. Howland, D.D. ; Hon. Hamilton Fish, Hon. John A. King ; in accordance with Title III., Canon 5, Section iii., [7.] ;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution, viz. : —

WHEREAS, Questions have arisen with reference to the interpretation of the phrase "renewal of Candidateship," in [1.], of Section i., of Canon 5, of Title I., of the Digest ;

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report whether, in their judgment, the use of the word "renewal," referred to in said Sub-section, requires the dating of the renewed Candidateship *de novo*, or whether it is intended that the time of previous Candidateship shall be included in the time required to elapse before his ordination;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report whether, in their judgment, the provision of the last sentence of Section ii., of Canon 2, of Title III., *Of Standing Committees*, that "they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop," refers to advice or action on any other than Canonical matters, or those connected with the administration of the Episcopal Office;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report as to the expediency of providing by Canon for the election and consecration of Coadjutor Bishops, instead of, or in addition to, Assistant Bishops, under the provisions now permitting the appointment of Assistant Bishops; the said Coadjutor Bishop to have defined Jurisdiction assigned to him by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Convention of the same, and to have all the rights and privileges of Bishops of the Church: the right of succession, and the manner and extent of his exercise of his function, to be determined by the Convention and Bishop of the Diocese to which he shall be appointed;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and inquire, and if, in their judgment, it should be deemed advisable, to report to this House, whether it is not requisite under the provisions of Section iv., of Canon 1, of Title III., of the Digest, that the Report of the Treasurer of the General Convention should be transmitted to this House, as well as to the House of Deputies; it being required that said "account shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority;"

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending Title I., Canon 2, Section iii., [6.], by striking out and inserting, in the form of Certificate from the Standing Committee, so that it will read in lines fourth, fifth, and sixth, "that he is a Communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing;"

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following resolution, viz. : —



*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider the expediency of so amending Title I., Canon 9, Section iii., [5.], as to allow a Lay Reader to deliver addresses of his own composition, by permission of the Bishop, acting with the consent of the Standing Committee;

which was adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

OCTOBER 12, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called; present, as yesterday.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Chair presented a request, made in behalf of the English Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, for an authorized statement, annually, of the condition and progress of this Church, for publication in the Official Year Book of the Church of England.

The Bishop of Louisiana offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and the Secretary of the House of Deputies, are hereby designated and authorized to furnish, from time to time, for the Official Year Book of the Church of England, information concerning the condition and progress of this Church;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom were referred certain resolutions of the Bishop of Kansas, touching Missionary Bishops and Jurisdictions, respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following clauses be added to Article 4 of the Constitution:—

*Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction is organized as a Diocese, the Bishop thereof shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and

*Provided* further, That if, after the erection of a new Diocese out of a Missionary Jurisdiction, there be a remainder, the Missionary Bishop shall, at his option, become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or continue the Missionary Bishop of such remainder;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut offered the following resolutions, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article 5 of the Constitution be altered so as to read as follows:—

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may at any time hereafter be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, or Missionary Jurisdictions, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz.:—

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, or Missionary Jurisdiction, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, or within the limits of any Missionary Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses, or of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Missionary Jurisdictions concerned, as well as of the General Convention; and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year Canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor, in the case of new Dioceses formed from existing Dioceses, shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned; *Provided*, That no City shall form more than one Diocese.

The article to remain as at present to the end as now printed, and then shall follow this clause:—

Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed out of a Missionary Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese as shall have been previously selected by the Bishop of said Jurisdiction, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

*Resolved*, That all the remaining matter which was referred from the Committee on Canons, to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, be referred back to the Committee on Canons, as coming properly before them for consideration.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution to amend Article 5 of the Constitution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution as above was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Nebraska, to consider the propriety of so altering the Canons on the Missionary Episcopate as to allow a Missionary Bishop the option of becoming the Diocesan of any Diocese created out of his Jurisdiction, respectfully report, that any alteration of the Canon in this matter would require previous legislation enabling a Diocese to be created out of a Missionary Jurisdiction. This involves an amendment to the Constitution, the consideration of which is now in the hands of the Committee on Amend-

ments of the Constitution; until action on which be had, canonical Legislation is impracticable.

The Committee, therefore, offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the consideration of the resolution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as above was adopted, and the Committee discharged.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report, viz.:—

#### REPORT No. 9.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Connecticut, respecting the publication of an authorized list of the Clergy of this Church, respectfully report, that they have duly considered the same, and recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 16, Of ■ *List of Ministers of this Church*, be amended so as to read as follows:—

§ i. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him in the following manner, that is to say: Every Bishop of this Church, or, where there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of October of each year, deliver or cause to be delivered to the Secretary a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Dioceses, annexing the names of their respective cures, or stations, or, in regard to those who have not any cures, their places of residence only; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to take care for the authorized publication of this list before the first of January in every year, in such manner as he shall deem best.

§ ii. And, further, The Secretary shall obtain in the same manner, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, a list, with particulars of time and place, of all Ministers belonging to the Diocese, who have been ordained to the Diaconate or the Priesthood, or have died, or have been deposed, since the preceding General Convention; and the said list shall be published in the Journal of each General Convention.

And, further,—

*Resolved*, That the present Section ii., of the said Canon, be numbered Section iii.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the resolutions as reported were adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report, viz.:—

#### REPORT No. 10.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of inquiry as to the expediency of amending Title I., Canon 9, Section iii., [5.], so as to permit a Lay Reader to deliver addresses of his own composition under certain circumstances, offered by the Bishop of Western Michigan, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 9, Section iii., [5.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

[5.] He shall not give public religious instruction, unless with the Bishop's license.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee on Canons.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Easton presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary submit respectfully a special report, on a proposed amended Constitution referred to them, adopted by the Board of Trustees at their last Annual Meeting, and now submitted for the concurrence of this General Convention.

This amended Constitution proposes a radical change in the governing body of the Seminary, — a change which the best friends of the Seminary, during long years, have sought to effect, and which, if it shall meet the concurrence of this Convention, will bring to a happy conclusion a long chapter of differences and debates.

This Board of Trustees as now constituted, already nearly four hundred in number, and steadily increasing with the contributions to its funds, and with the growth of the Church, has long since been found too large and too cumbersome to admit of efficient action.

Furthermore, inasmuch as these hundreds of Trustees were distributed among all the Dioceses, the body practically convened consisted chiefly of those resident in the City of New York and in the Dioceses contiguous. A meeting of the Board of Trustees, fairly representative of its constituency, could not be secured without great difficulty, if, indeed, it could be secured at all.

It is now proposed to re-constitute this Board.

Your Committee have not felt themselves bound to inquire whether the scheme presented is the very best possible. Other plans have been urged which might perhaps accomplish the same purpose. We are content to place side by side the Constitution as it now is, and as the Board proposes it shall be; and we are unanimously of the opinion that the change is for the better, and that, if acquiesced in by the General Convention, it will solve grave difficulties, will remove a chronic discontent, and will give assurance that the Seminary shall be in the future, as its name imports, the *General Seminary* of this Church.

Under the amended Constitution, the Board will consist (1) of the Bishops of the Church who may signify their willingness to serve as Trustees; (2) of twenty-five Trustees distributed among certain Dioceses mentioned, which have become entitled heretofore to a special representation by reason of contributions to the funds of the Seminary; and (3) of twenty-five Trustees to be chosen by the House of Deputies at each stated meeting. The Dean of the Seminary is also, *ex officio*, a member of the Board.

We are aware of no just objection to the arrangement thus proposed.

The Board of Trustees propose also to abrogate Article VI. of the Constitution. This article concerns the transference of funds in past time, and has become superfluous.

While the provisions of the amended Constitution, in the particulars thus far mentioned, were heedfully formulated, other amendments were made which cannot endure the test of a careful criticism. These errors, it is agreed on all hands, are purely the result of inadvertence. Such imperfect articles may, we think, be best referred back to the Board of Trustees for reconsideration. They are not of so much importance as to demand immediate action.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Conven-

tion does hereby concur in the proposed repeal of Article VI. of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and it is hereby declared, that said Article is, by the concurrent vote of the Board of Trustees of said Seminary, at their last meeting, and of this General Convention, abrogated and repealed, and is no longer an article of said Constitution.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention does hereby concur in the substitute adopted by the Trustees, at their last Annual Meeting, for the third Article (Article III.) in the Constitution of said Seminary; and also in a proposed new article adopted in like manner by said Trustees, and numbered Article VI. in the amended Constitution submitted for our concurrence.

And it is hereby declared, that, by the concurrent vote of the Board of Trustees and of this General Convention, Articles III. and VI. as amended and proposed are finally adopted; and that the Constitution of the Seminary is so amended that Articles III. and VI. shall be in the words following:—

ART. III. The Board of Trustees shall be constituted as follows: Every Bishop of the Church, and the Dean of the Seminary, shall be entitled to be a member of the Board. There shall also be fifty other Trustees, twenty-five of whom shall be appointed by certain Dioceses, on the basis of their former contributions to the Seminary, as follows:—

New York, ten; Western New York, one; Long Island, two; Albany, one; Central New York, one; New Jersey, one; Northern New Jersey, one; Massachusetts, one; Pennsylvania, three; Maryland, one; North Carolina, one; South Carolina, two; and the remaining twenty-five shall be chosen by the House of Deputies at each stated General Convention. But no person shall be a Trustee of the Seminary unless he shall have signified in writing his acceptance of the office. The senior Bishop shall preside at every meeting of the Board of Trustees; and, whenever demanded by a majority of the Bishops present, or a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present, the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops present, and of a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall have power to supply all vacancies among the Trustees elected by the House of Deputies.

ART. VI. This Constitution, as altered by the concurrent vote of the General Convention and of the Board of Trustees, shall take effect on the first day of October, A.D. 1884; and the first Trustees, other than Bishops, under the amended Constitution, shall be chosen before that time by the House of Deputies and the Diocesan Conventions respectively; and a certificate of their election shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the remaining alterations proposed be referred back to the Board of Trustees for the correction of certain errors believed to be the result of inadvertence.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY C. LAY, *Chairman*.  
C. F. ROBERTSON.  
W. W. NILES.  
J. F. SPALDING.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, the foregoing report was made the Order of the Day for Monday, at eleven o'clock.

The Bishop of Niobrara presented his Triennial Report (see



Appendix II. 3) ; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Order of the Day, appointed for twelve o'clock, being the report of the Committee on Canons on the Retirement of Bishops, was called.

On motion, the following amendment, recommended in the Report, was adopted, viz. : —

SECTION XVI., CANON 15, TITLE I.

[1.] Any Bishop of this Church who has attained to the age of seventy years, and who by reason of advancing age, or for other causes, desires relief from his official labors, may, on his own motion, retire from his Jurisdiction with the consent of the Convention of his Diocese, and of a majority of the Bishops of this Church in actual service, certified and made known to the Presiding Bishop. If he be a Missionary Bishop, the consent of a majority of the Bishops shall suffice.

On motion, the following [2.] of the same section was adopted, viz. : —

[2.] The Presiding Bishop, when assured of such consent, shall pronounce said Bishop retired, and shall make record of the fact, and communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop, to cause such retirement to be recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of being retired be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

On motion, the following [3.] of the same section was adopted, viz. : —

[3.] A Bishop so retired shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, and all the rights and precedences therein, to which he would otherwise be entitled. He may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church within the bounds of his Jurisdiction (or of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese having no Bishop) ; but he shall not be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church, nor to any Missionary Jurisdiction.

On motion, the foregoing amendments of Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., as a whole, were adopted.

On motion, the vote adopting the above was reconsidered.

The Bishop of Maine moved, as an amendment, that the words, "when due provision shall be made for his future support," be inserted in [1.].

On motion, the Report, together with the proposed amendment, was re-committed.

The following Messages were received, viz. : —



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## MESSAGE No. 9.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be continued.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing message.

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## MESSAGE No. 10.

The House of Deputies herewith transmits to the House of Bishops the Testimonials in favor of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of Virginia; the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of New York; and the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop-elect of Indiana: the said testimonials having been signed by a constitutional majority of both Orders of this House.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing was referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

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## MESSAGE No. 11.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Managers of the Board of Missions be requested to prepare an order of business, embracing all matters which they desire to bring to the notice of the Board, which order shall be printed and presented on the third day of the session, in order that the early days of the Convention may be occupied in the consideration of the Missionary work of the Church.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing message.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the vote whereby the House of Bishops concurred with the action of the House of Deputies, communicated in Message 11, be reconsidered, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business;

which was adopted.

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## MESSAGE No. 12.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with the Committee on Rules of the House of Deputies, on the subject of the powers of Joint Committees of the two Houses, and of references thereto.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this House be, and hereby is, directed, in conjunction with the Registrar of the General Convention, to print, as an Appendix to the Journal of the General Convention of 1883, the Letters of Consecration of the Bishops who have been consecrated since the General Convention of 1877;

which was adopted.

The House took a recess till 1.45 o'clock.

The House assembled after recess.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following report, viz. :—

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 10 from the House of Deputies, transmitting the Testimonials in favor of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Virginia; the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Indiana; and the Rev. Henry Codman Potter, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New York, — report that said Testimonials are in conformity with the Canonical requirements, and move the adoption of the subjoined resolutions.

ALFRED LEE, *Chairman*.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Baltimore, in the Diocese of Maryland, Assistant Bishop-elect of Virginia; and requests the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary Order for such Consecration;

which, on motion, was adopted.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Rector of Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, in the Diocese of Minnesota, Bishop-elect of Indiana; and requests the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary Order for such Consecration;

which, on motion, was adopted.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. Henry Codman Potter, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, New York, in the Diocese of New York, Assistant Bishop-elect of New York; and requests the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary Order for such Consecration;

which, on motion, was adopted.

The Assistant Bishop of Kentucky offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution inquire and report as to the advisability of amending Article 3 of the Constitution, so as to change the designation therein of the House of Deputies as "the Convention," and said designation wherever else it may be found in the Constitution;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Oregon presented his Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3), which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Missouri presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee on Expenses on the part of the House of Bishops, having had conference with the Committee on the same subject on the part of the House of Deputies, have agreed to report the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that no bills of either House be paid until they have been audited and approved by the Chairman of the House of Deputies' Committee on Expenses.

C. F. ROBERTSON.  
E. R. WELLES.  
JOHN SCARBOROUGH.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The House adjourned, to enable the Bishops to attend the session of the Board of Missions.

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### TENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 13, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called; present as yesterday, with the exception of the Bishops of Western New York and Alabama.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop of Louisiana presented greeting from the Bishop of Shanghai, and offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops, mindful that their Right Reverend brother, the Bishop of Shanghai, is for the present disabled by sickness, do convey to him assurance of their affectionate sympathy, with prayerful hopes for his complete restoration to health;

which was adopted.

The Bishop presiding presented the following from the Presiding Bishop, viz. :—

#### OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP.

I have taken Order for the Consecration of the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop of Indiana, to take place in Philadelphia, October 14, 1883; of the Rev. Henry Codman Potter, D.D., Assistant Bishop of New York, to take place in Grace Church, New York, October 20, 1883; of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia, to take place in Baltimore, October 21, 1883.

B. B. SMITH, *Presiding Bishop*.

PHILADELPHIA, October 13, 1883.

The Bishop presiding presented a report (see Appendix XII.) from the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Bishop presiding appointed, as the Committee asked for in Message No. 12 of the House of Deputies, the Bishops of Missouri, Nevada, and Quincy.

There being a vacancy in the Standing Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, owing to the absence of the Bishop of Alabama, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky was appointed in his place.

The Bishop of Nebraska presented the Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3) of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following, viz. : —

REPORT No. 11.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Quincy, proposing a change in the form of Testimonial required in Title I., Canon 2, Section iii., clause [6.], respectfully report that they have considered the subject referred to them, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the matter referred to them, on the ground that the proposed amendment is inexpedient.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following, viz. : —

REPORT No. 12.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution offered by the Bishop of Wisconsin, proposing changes in Title II., Canon 12, pp. 124, 125, as to keeping a register of Communicants, etc., respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the proposed Canon referred to them, on the ground that such minute detail of legislation is not deemed desirable.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following, viz. : —

REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of inquiry as to the competency of Standing Committees to give advice to the Bishop on matters other than Canonical, or relating to the administration of the Episcopal office, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the matter, on the ground that further legislation thereon is not, in their judgment, needed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 14.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution certain portions of the resolutions offered by the Bishop of Kansas, proposing changes in Title I., Canon 15, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the proposed changes in Title I., Canon 15, on the ground that the changes in the Constitution, required to make this proposed legislation possible, cannot be consummated for three years, and therefore that Canonical provisions are not at present necessary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following Report and resolutions, which were adopted, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 15.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred for further consideration and revision their report on Title I., Canon 15, of the Retirement of a Bishop, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.] and [5.], be amended so as to read as follows, to wit:—

[4.] Any Bishop of this Church desiring to retire from his Jurisdiction, by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, may retire on his own motion, with the consent of the Convention of his own Diocese, and of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, certified and made known to the Presiding Bishop. If he be a Missionary Bishop, the consent of a majority of the Bishops shall suffice.

[5.] The Presiding Bishop, when assured of such consent, shall pronounce said Bishop retired, and shall make record of the fact, and communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such retirement to be recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of being retired be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this Section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the present [4.] be numbered [6.], and that the said clause be amended as follows:—

In [6.], insert after the words “no Bishop whose,” the words “retirement from;” and after “the House of Bishops or,” the following, viz., “except that a Bishop whose retirement has been consummated under [4.] and [5.] shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled,” and add, “A Bishop retired or resigned may perform Episcopal acts at

the request of any Bishop of this Church having Jurisdiction, within the bounds of the Jurisdiction of the said Bishop."

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, it was

*Resolved*, That the Journal of 1880, p. 297, be so amended as to insert, in the resolution reported by the Committee on Domestic Missions, after the words "Santee Indian reservation," these words, viz., "in Nebraska, and the several Indian reservations in Dakota," and by changing the words "left branch of Missouri River" to "left bank of Missouri River;"

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following report, viz. :—

The Committee on Domestic Missions beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the triennial reports of the Missionary Bishops; also, memorials from North and South Dakota, asking for a division of the Jurisdiction of Dakota into two Missionary Jurisdictions, north and south of the forty-sixth parallel of latitude, and the appointment of a Bishop for each of these Jurisdictions; and, finally, a Memorial from the Clergy and Laity of the Church in Wyoming Territory, petitioning to have that Territory set apart as a separate Missionary Jurisdiction, and a Missionary Bishop appointed for it.

Referring for the present only to these memorials, your Committee would submit the following propositions, viz. :—

1st, That it will be at least necessary to appoint one Missionary Bishop for Dakota, the Bishop of Nebraska having definitely resigned the charge of that Jurisdiction.

2d, That the considerations presented by the petitioners from Dakota fully justify their plea for such a division of the Jurisdiction as they propose, and for the appointment of two Bishops, if the whole Territory of Dakota is to be embraced in the Jurisdictions so created.

3d, That such a division and appropriation of the Territory would involve the abolition of the present Jurisdiction of Niobrara, or the changing of its boundaries so as to make them correspond with the boundaries of South Dakota.

4th, That, if it be inexpedient thus to abolish the Jurisdiction of Niobrara, or to change its boundaries, then it is inexpedient to divide the remainder of the Territory of Dakota into two Jurisdictions, or to appoint more than one Bishop for such remainder.

5th, That, if the Jurisdiction of Niobrara is to be continued as a distinct Jurisdiction, then there should be added to it, from the Jurisdiction of Dakota, Bon Homme County, lying on the east shore of the Missouri, between two of the Indian reservations already embraced in the Jurisdiction of Niobrara.

Wyoming presents a different problem. On the one hand, the present population is much smaller than that of either North or South Dakota, being only from thirty thousand to forty thousand souls; and there are in it but two self-supporting Parishes, and five Missions. But, on the other hand, it is daily becoming less and less practicable for the Bishop of Colorado to give needful attention to this portion of his extensive jurisdiction. The Mission to the Shoshone and Arrapahoe Indians in this Territory is important, and requires constant oversight and help. Many villages and hamlets are growing up which can be visited only in the summer-time, when the present Bishop must be looking after the remoter parts of Colorado. It



seems, therefore, quite desirable that a Missionary Bishop should be appointed for Wyoming, as a separate Jurisdiction, at no distant day. But while recommending that this Territory be at once set apart as a new Jurisdiction (it being conceived that certain advantages would be gained by such action), your Committee are mindful of the fact that the Missionary Board is unable at the present time to meet the claims upon it of Jurisdictions having a much larger population; and they therefore do not recommend the immediate appointment of a Bishop for Wyoming, but would leave it still, or place it if erected into a separate Jurisdiction, under the care of the Bishop of Colorado.

The Committee offer the following resolutions:—

1. That the boundaries of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Niobrara be so changed as to make it identical in outline and area with that portion of the Territory of Dakota lying south of the forty-sixth parallel of latitude, and so as to include also the Santee Indian Reservation in Nebraska.

2. That the name of this Jurisdiction be changed from Niobrara to South Dakota.

3. That that portion of Dakota Territory lying north of the forty-sixth parallel of latitude be erected into a separate Jurisdiction, under the name of North Dakota, and a Bishop appointed therefor.

4. That the Territory of Wyoming be erected into a separate Jurisdiction, and placed temporarily under the care of the Bishop of Colorado.

HENRY A. NEELY, *for the Committee on Domestic Missions.*

On motion, the foregoing Report was made the Order of the Day immediately after the Order of the Day appointed for Monday at eleven o'clock.

The Bishop of Ohio, from the Committee appointed in 1880 to confer with a Committee of the English Church as to a Board of Reference, etc., presented a report (see Appendix IX.) of his correspondence with the English Church in regard to the Churches in Japan; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Bishop of Nebraska tendered his resignation of his Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Maine offered the following, viz.:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article VII., Canon 9, of Title III., of the Digest, be amended as follows:—

Strike out the words, “of the Protestant Episcopal Church of regular standing;” and insert the words, “in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some other Church in communion with this Church.”

Also, strike out the words, “making pecuniary appropriations in aid of Missions under the care of other Churches in communion with this Church, or of.”

Also, insert after the words, “members of this Church,” the words, “or of some other Church in communion with this Church,” so that Article VII. shall read as follows:—

No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some

other Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing Laymen or women, members of this Church or of some other Church in communion with this Church, to do Missionary work;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Colorado offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to inquire into the expediency of reporting such amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [4.], as shall make it clear that the "Constitution and Canons" to be selected by a Missionary Bishop shall be applicable not only in the case of the trial of a Clergyman, but in all cases for which such "Constitution and Canons" are necessary;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Albany offered the following : —

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 2, Section iii., [6.], be amended so as to add the words, "or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee, on the receipt of the prescribed Testimonials, shall be unwilling to recommend the Postulant to the Bishop, they shall give in writing to the Bishop, and to the applicant, their reasons for such refusal."

And Title I., Canon 6, Section iv., [5.], by adding the words, "Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee are unwilling to proceed to recommend the Candidate for Ordination, they shall give in writing, to the Bishop and to the Candidate, their reasons for such refusal."

And that the same also be added to Title I., Canon 8, Section iv., [5.];

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Triennial Report of the Bishop of Colorado was presented, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred a Memorial from certain Clergymen and Laymen residing in St. Mark's Parish, Washington, D.C., asking that the Sixth Commandment in the Prayer Book be made to "conform *verbatim et literatim* with the translation of the same as given in the Version of Holy Scripture authorized for use by King James I. of England," see no sufficient reason for recommending the proposed change, and therefore offer the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

On motion, the resolution was adopted, and the Committee was discharged accordingly.

The Bishop of Quincy presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on Unfinished Business, to whom was referred Message No. 11, of the House of Deputies, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops decline to unite with the House of Deputies, in the passage of the Joint Resolution contained in Message No. 11 of that House, for the reason that they think it fit and desirable that the information sought by the resolution be obtained by a rule or requisition

of the Board of Missions, of which the Bishops and Deputies, as members, constitute a large majority, and whose Committee the Managers are; rather than by a joint resolution of the two Houses of Convention, which have established official connection with the Board of Missions by Canons and acts of canonical force.

For the Committee.

JOHN F. YOUNG, *Chairman.*

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Kansas moved that the vacancy in the Special Committee on the Translation of Bishops, caused by the absence of the Bishop of Alabama, be supplied.

The Chair appointed, to supply the vacancy, the Bishop of Florida.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee on Provinces, to whom were referred certain proposed additions to the Constitution and Canons relating to the organization and powers of Provinces, report, that, having had the matter under consideration, they find that a subject of so much consequence could not secure the attention it deserves and demands, in this Convention, before which other subjects of such grave importance have come. Therefore the Committee withholds any proposition in reference to the matter, and asks to be discharged.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The following Message was received :—

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MESSAGE No. 13.

The House of Deputies requests of the House of Bishops a Committee of Conference on the subject of the proposed division of the Diocese of North Carolina; and

The House of Deputies has appointed as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Schenck, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Brown, of Western New York; Mr. De Rosset, of North Carolina; Mr. Baldwin, of Michigan; and Mr. Atwater, of Minnesota.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary.*

On motion, the House consented to a Committee of Conference, and ordered that the Committee on the part of this House consist of three Bishops.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishops of Maine, Western Texas, and Western Michigan.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

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MESSAGE No. 14.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to consider and report the best methods for increasing the ability

and extending the benefits of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Connecticut moved concurrence, substituting for the word "Society," the words "Trustees of the Fund;" which was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut having called up from the table the Report of the Committee of 1880, on the Mode of Nominating Missionary Bishops, on motion, the Report was recommitted.

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be requested to report to this House, whether a Missionary Bishop, Domestic or Foreign, who has resigned his Jurisdiction, is entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and also whether such resigned Bishop is eligible to a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church.

On motion, it was not adopted.

The Bishop of Northern Texas presented his Triennial Report; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Nevada presented his Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3); which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Fredericton addressed the House, before his departure from the city.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## ELEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 15, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called; present, as on the last day's session.

The Bishop of Indiana was introduced to the House, and took his seat.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Potter was excused from further attendance as Secretary of the House of Bishops.

An invitation was received to visit the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb; which invitation was accepted, and the Secretary ordered to acknowledge the same, with the thanks of the House.

The Chair appointed, as members of the Joint Committee respecting the Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, etc., asked for in Message No. 14 of the House of Deputies, the Bishops of Easton, Minnesota, and Long Island.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 16.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Western New York, proposing an amendment to Title II., Canon 9, respectfully report, that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Sections ii., iii., iv., v., vi., vii., viii., of Title II., Canon 9, of the Digest, at this date in force, having been enacted by both Houses of General Convention, and having the power of all canonical enactments, shall be the rules of procedure in such trial until others shall be provided; and a copy of these Sections, certified as correct by the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of the General Convention, shall be kept in the Archives of the House of Bishops, and from time to time conformed to any changes that may be duly made in them; *provided*, that no changes be made except by concurrent vote of both Houses of the General Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the following resolution was adopted, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 9, Sections ii. to viii. inclusive, be not printed in future editions of the Digest.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 17.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the Bishop of Iowa, with respect to the interpretation of the phrase "renewal of candidateship," in Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], be amended so as to read as follows :—

§ i. [1.] No Candidate who may be refused Holy Orders, in any Diocese, shall be ordained in any other Diocese except by renewal of candidateship, under the provisions of Canon 2; but he may be allowed part or all

the time of his previous candidateship, at the discretion of the Bishop, and with the approval of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 18.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the Bishop of Albany proposing certain changes in Title I., Canon 2, Section iii., [6.], and in Canons 6 and 8 of the same Title, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section iii., [6.], be amended by the addition, at the end of said clause, of the following words:—

Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee on the receipt of the prescribed Testimonials, shall be unwilling to recommend the Postulant to the Bishop, they shall give him in writing their reasons for such refusal.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, Section iv., [5.], be amended by the addition, at the close of said clause, of the following words, to wit:—

Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee are unwilling to proceed to recommend the Candidate for Ordination, they shall give in writing to the Bishop their reasons for such refusal.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 8, Section iv., [5.], be amended by the addition, at the close of said clause, of the following words, to wit:—

Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee are unwilling to proceed to recommend the Candidate for Ordination, they shall give in writing to the Bishop their reasons for such refusal.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

Pending action on the foregoing Report, the following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 13, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 15.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs in Message No. 11 from the House of Bishops (concerning the appointment of members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Churches).

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 13, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 16.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs in Message No. 12 from the House of Bishops (concerning the appointment of the Secretary of the



House of Bishops, and the Secretary of the House of Deputies, to furnish official information for the "Year Book of the Church of England").

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 17.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Lectionary be requested to consider the propriety of omitting the Apocryphal Lessons from the Calendar, and substituting therefor Lessons from the Canonical Scriptures.

Also, to consider whether the efficiency of our Church Services might not be increased by shortening the appointed Lessons from Holy Scripture.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 18.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Right Rev. the Bishops of the House of Bishops be respectfully invited to be present on the occasion of the reception of Lord Chief Justice Coleridge by this House.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, Message No. 17 of the House of Deputies was made the Order of the Day at three o'clock.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops is pleased to learn of the courtesy which the House of Deputies has shown to so distinguished a visitor as the Lord Chief Justice of England, and regrets that the pressure of business renders it impossible for this House to be present with the other House on the proposed occasion.

The Order of the Day being called, which was the report on the General Theological Seminary, presented on the ninth day of the session, the Bishop of Easton moved the adoption of the second resolution.

The following amendment was offered by the Bishop of Springfield :—

*Resolved*, That the number 50 in third line of Article III. be stricken out, and that, in lieu of the provision for the election of twenty-five Trustees by the House of Deputies, the following be substituted: "each Diocese shall be entitled to one Trustee on its signifying by the formal action of its Convention its desire to be so represented, such Trustee to be chosen as heretofore;"

which was not adopted.

The question being on the second resolution as reported, it was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, the third resolution was adopted.

The House took a recess till two o'clock.

The Order of the Day being called, which was the report of the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented on the tenth day of the session, touching Dakota and Wyoming, —

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted; and the nomination of a Bishop for the Jurisdiction of North Dakota was made the Order of the Day for twelve o'clock on Thursday, October 18.

On motion, the first part of the fourth resolution, as reported by the Committee on Domestic Missions, was adopted.

On motion, the second part of the fourth resolution was adopted.

On motion, the resolution as a whole was adopted.

The Order of the Day being called, which was Message No. 17 of the House of Deputies, —

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, it was

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in Message No. 17 of the House of Deputies, for the reason that the principle of reading Lessons from the Apocrypha at the Morning and Evening Prayer has been long settled in this Church, and needs not now to be re-opened: and for the further reason, that the assignment of such Apocryphal Lessons, and the determination of the length of the Lessons taken out of the Canonical Scriptures, have been under consideration for many years, and a matured scheme, familiar by reason of permissive use, is now submitted to the General Convention for its final action. And furthermore, the House of Bishops is of the opinion that Holy Scripture should, as heretofore, be read in the ears of the people, not in fragments, but with due regard to the completeness of the subject-matter in each lesson selected.

The Report of the Joint Committee on the Lectionary having been taken from the table, the Bishop of Albany offered the following resolution, viz.: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Lectionary be instructed to re-insert in the Calendar, among the Old Testament Lessons for the Sundays after Trinity, the XXII. Chapter of the Book Numbers;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Louisiana offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That when Lessons from the Apocrypha are prescribed in the Lectionary, it is ordered that the names of the Apocryphal Books be printed in the Tables of Lessons, in type of a different character from that used to name the Canonical Books;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Lectionary, as above amended, be adopted and authorized for use in the following terms, viz. :—

*By the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

The Lectionary contained in the Book of Common Prayer is hereby amended by substituting the Tables hereto appended for the Tables of Lessons of Holy Scripture, and by inserting after the third paragraph of "The order how the rest of the Holy Scripture is appointed to be read," the three rules following :—

If in any Church, upon a Sunday or Holy Day, both Morning and Evening Prayer be not said, the Minister may read the Lessons appointed either for Morning or for Evening Prayer.

At Evening Prayer on Sunday, the Minister may read the Lesson from the Gospel appointed for that day of the month, in place of the Second Lesson for the Sunday.

Upon any Day for which no proper Lessons are provided, the Lessons appointed in the Calendar for any day in the same week may be read in place of the Lessons for the Day;

which was adopted by a constitutional majority of the House of Bishops.

The Report of the Committee on Amendments of the Constitution, presented on the fifth day of the session, having been called up, the following resolution recommended by the Committee was adopted, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following sentence be inserted in Article 3 of the Constitution, after the words "it shall have the operation of law," in the sixteenth line: "*Provided* that days on which there is no session of the House of Bishops be not counted among the three days aforesaid."

The Report of the five senior Bishops, presented on the seventh day of the session, touching the Presidency of this House, having been called up from the table, the Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee on matters concerning the Presidency of the House of Bishops be recommitted, with the request to prepare a Rule of Order providing for the election of a President and Vice-President by ballot;

which was not adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the first resolution reported by the Committee of five senior Bishops was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the second resolution as reported, the Bishop of Albany moved the adoption of the first part of the resolution, which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany moved the adoption of the remaining part of the second resolution, which was adopted.

The resolution as a whole was adopted.

The resolution offered by the Bishop of Missouri, on the fifth day of the session, touching an addition to the Rules of Order, was called up from the table; and on motion of the Bishop of Quincy the resolution was referred to the Committee on Religious Services, etc.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this House, and the Registrar of the General Convention, be a Committee to provide a Seal for the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops.

The following resolution was offered by the Bishop of Springfield, and referred to the Committee on Canons : —

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report whether it be not expedient to add to Canon 1, Title II., of the Digest, an additional Section, to be numbered v., making it a duty of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to present for trial before the Ecclesiastical Court of said Jurisdiction any Clergyman who has been convicted in any civil or criminal court of any crime or offence; such presentment being based upon the alleged crime or offence of which the Clergyman has been found guilty by said Court.

The Report of the Committee on Canons, presented on the sixth day of the session, in reference to a deposed Clergyman remaining in lay-communion, having been taken from the table, —

On motion, the following proposed amendment, offered by the Bishop of Albany, was referred to the Committee on Canons, viz. : —

To strike out Title II., Canon 11, Section ii.

To amend Title II., Canon 6, Section ii., so as to read : —

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to suspend said Minister from the Ministry for a period not less than three years, and thereafter for a period not less than two years, or until he shall repent and recant his errors. And the Bishop shall pronounce, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the sentence of suspension, and record the same as so pronounced. *Provided*, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting

his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings; and *provided*, that in terminating any sentence of suspension pronounced by him upon a Presbyterian or Deacon who has abandoned the Ministry under the provisions of this Canon, the Bishop shall act with the unanimous advice, etc., [1.], [2.], [3.], [5.], of Section ii., Canon 11.

The Bishop of Connecticut offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to communicate to the Right Reverend the Bishop of New York, the expression of the fraternal sympathy of the members of this House in the trials of infirmity which the Heavenly Father has suffered to fall upon him; and also to express their hope that the measure of relief now to be afforded him may prolong his days among us, and minister to his comfort and happiness, ---

which was seconded by the Bishop of Albany, and unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Assistant Bishop of Kentucky offered a similar resolution as an expression of the House toward the Bishop of Virginia; which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Rhode Island offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this House be requested to convey to the Bishop of California the expression of their sympathy and regret that he has not been able to meet with them during the present session;

which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Canons, in regard to Organized Religious Societies, was indefinitely postponed.

The following Message was received : —

OCTOBER 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 19.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that, during the remainder of the session, the hour for Daily Morning Prayer will be nine o'clock.

Attest:

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## TWELFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 16, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called; present as yesterday, with the exception of the Bishops of Tennessee, Arkansas, and New Hampshire.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report,

viz. : —

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution of the Bishop of Springfield, proposing an alteration in Article 10, respectfully report, that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article 10 of the Constitution be so amended as to read as follows:—

Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated when the approbation of at least three-fourths of the Bishops of this Church has been signified in writing to the Presiding Bishop. He thereupon shall take order for the same, being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen and properly qualified.

The residue of the article to remain unchanged.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That notice of the foregoing proposed amendment be given to the several Dioceses in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report,

viz. : —

#### REPORT No. 19.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Maine, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article VII., Canon 9, of Title III. of the Digest, be amended as follows:—

Strike out the words, "of the Protestant Episcopal Church of regular standing;" and insert the words, "in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with the same."

Also strike out the words, "making pecuniary appropriations in aid of Missions under the care of other Churches in communion with this Church, or of.

Also insert after the words, "members of this Church," the words, "or of some Church in communion with the same:" so that Article VII. shall read as follows:—

No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with the same; but nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on Domestic Missions, having had before them the communication of the Bishop of Nebraska to the Presiding Bishop, resigning the



charge of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota, recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the resignation of the Right Rev. Dr. Clarkson, of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota, be accepted, to take effect on the consecration of the Bishop of North Dakota.

H. A. NEELY, *for the Committee*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Missouri presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee of Conference, appointed to consider the powers of Joint Committees of the two Houses of the General Convention, having considered the subject referred to them, respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the following Joint Rules:—

*First*, Joint Special Committees, having made their final report, are to be considered as having exhausted their functions, and can only be revived by the concurrent action of the two Houses.

*Second*, It shall be the privilege of either House to refer to a Joint Committee any matter relating to the subject for which it was appointed; but neither House shall have the power, without the concurrence of the other, to instruct the Joint Committee as to any particular line of action.

They therefore offer the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the first of the above Joint Rules be adopted.

*Resolved*, That the second of the above Joint Rules be adopted.

*Resolved*, That the above rules be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

C. F. ROBERTSON.  
OZI W. WHITTAKER.  
ALEX. BURGESS.  
R. C. WITHERS.  
GEO. F. EDMUNDS.  
JOS. F. GARRISON.

The question being on the first resolution as reported, it was not adopted.

The question being on the second resolution as reported, the Bishop of Quincy moved the following, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the Report be referred back to the Committee of Conference, with the request that they prepare a rule to be adopted by both Houses in place of the first rule, which this House has declined to adopt, to the effect that Joint Committees of the two Houses shall be regarded as continuing in office until they have been discharged by vote or by final action upon their Reports;

which was adopted, and the Report referred accordingly.

The following Message on the same subject having been received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 22.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the resolutions appended to the Report of the Committee of Conference appointed to consider the powers of Joint Committees.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, it was

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies be informed that this House has not adopted the resolutions appended to the Report of the Committee of Conference; and that it requests a Committee of Conference on Message No. 22 of the House of Deputies, referring to the same subject, and appoints as members of such Committee, on the part of this House, the members of the former Committee; namely, the Bishops of Missouri, Nevada, and Quincy.

The Bishop of Connecticut having presented the Report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, on motion, it was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal. (See Appendix VII.)

The following Bishops were appointed on the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, viz.: The Bishops of Connecticut, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Western New York, Florida, Long Island, Albany, and Central New York.

The Missionary Bishop of Northern California having presented his Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 3), on motion it was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The House took a recess.

The House assembled after recess.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 20.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs with that portion of Message No. 26 from the House of Bishops, which proposes the substitution of the words, "Trustees of the Fund," for the word "Society," in Message No. 14 from the House of Deputies.

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies appoints as members of the Joint Committee, to consider and report the best methods of increasing the ability and extending the benefits of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans, etc., on its part, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the Rev. Dr. Schenck of Long Island, the Rev. Mr. Robert of Missouri, Mr. Pierrepont of Long Island, and Mr. Atkinson of North Carolina.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 21.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies appoints as members of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, on its part, the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., the Rev. George Leeds, D.D., the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. William F. Morgan, D.D., the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. Robert S. Howland, D.D., the Rev. Charles R. Hale, S.T.D., the Rev. Charles R. Baker, Mr. John A. King, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr.

John Jay, Mr. Hamilton Fish, LL.D., Mr. Henry Chauncey, Mr. Philip F. Nash, Mr. William Bayard Cutting, and Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 23.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 21, from the House of Bishops, relating to the Opening Services of the daily session.

Nor in the resolution contained in the same Message, relating to giving precedence to perfected action of the House of Bishops.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 25.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution, by a constitutional majority of both orders:—

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Lectionary be amended by making the first Lesson for the evening of the Ninth Sunday after Trinity, Numbers xxii.;

Also, That it has concurred, by a constitutional majority of both orders, in the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from the House of Bishops, adopting the Lectionary as amended, and authorizing the same for use.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, the House concurred in Message No. 25 of the House of Deputies, and adopted and authorized for use the Lectionary as thus amended, by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following proposed amendment, viz. : That the words, "or retirement," be added to Section vi., Canon 15, Title I. :—

On motion, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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### THIRTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

OCTOBER 17, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called ; present, as yesterday.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 17, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 26.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it agrees to a Committee of Conference on Message No. 22 of the House of Deputies; and appoints as such Committee, on its part, Mr. Withers of Virginia, Mr. Edmunds of Vermont, Mr. Fish of New York, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, and the Rev. Dr. Garrison of New Jersey.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop presiding presented the resignation of the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Bishop of Western New York read a communication from the Bishop of Alabama, expressing regret at the necessity for his continued absence. On motion, the Bishop of Alabama was excused from further attendance on the sessions of the House.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution of the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, relative to the designation of the House of Deputies, in Article 3 of the Constitution, and elsewhere where it may occur, respectfully reports that it has considered the same, and recommends the adoption of the following resolutions: —

(1) *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the words "*House of Deputies*" be substituted for the word "*Convention*" in the fourteenth line of Article 2 of the Constitution, as printed in the Digest of the Canons appended to the Journal of General Convention of 1880; and that the words "*House of Deputies*" be in like manner substituted for the word "*Convention*" in the twelfth line of Article 3, as printed above.

(2) *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That notice of the foregoing proposed amendments be given, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the Committee of Conference on the powers of Joint Committees was enlarged by the addition of one, and the Bishop presiding appointed the Bishop of Easton on the Committee.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. : —

REPORT No. 20.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the Bishop of Colorado, respecting the Constitution and Canons in force in Missionary Jurisdictions, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [4.], be amended by adding [5.] after the words "the district assigned him," so that the clause [4.] shall read as follows:—

[4.] The Jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have Jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him. Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such Jurisdiction, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed; *provided*, that no Standing Committee appointed under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

Clause [5.] to read as follows:—

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his Jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church, which shall remain in force until the Jurisdiction shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

Clause [6.] to read as follows:—

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, the clerical members of the Standing Committee may make presentment. *Provided*, that the court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee and the accused; and if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his Jurisdiction, the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

Clause [5.], as at present numbered, to be numbered [7.].

Clause [6.], as at present numbered, to be numbered [8.].

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following report,  
viz.:—

#### REPORT No. 21.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution implying the necessity of the amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., Clause [2.], recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., Clause [2.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

If the Bishop, on consideration of the circumstances of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure, and lay before the Standing Committee, a Testimonial signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses a sound understanding and judgment, an aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and adding any other reason for a dispensation which they may believe to exist.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, the report of the Committee on the Sewanee Conference, together with a communica-

tion from St. Stephen's Church, Savannah, Ga., was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT NO. 22.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the Bishop of Albany, respecting Title II., Canons 6 and 11, respectfully report, that they recommend the passage of the following resolutions, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 6, Section ii., be amended so as to read as follows, to wit:—

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to suspend said Minister from the Ministry for a period not less than three years, and thereafter until he shall repent, and recant his errors. And the Bishop shall pronounce, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the sentence of suspension, and record the same as so pronounced. *Provided*, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate, a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may at his discretion abstain from any further proceedings; and *provided*, that, in terminating any sentence of suspension pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon who has abandoned the Ministry under the provisions of this Canon, the Bishop shall:—

[1.] Act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

[2.] That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own; and shall receive in writing, from at least four of the said Bishops, their approval of the said remission, and their consent thereto.

[3.] That before remitting such sentence he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry, to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

[4.] That, in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

Pending action on the second resolution, the House took a recess till two o'clock.

On re-assembling after recess, the House resumed the consideration of the second resolution recommended in the Report of the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the action adopting the first resolution was reconsidered; and, on motion, the whole report was recommitted to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Arkansas offered the following resolution, viz. :—



*Resolved*, That the last clause of Canon 10, Title II, be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider whether it requires alteration;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Kansas presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the Report No. 2 of the Committee on Canons, touching the Ineligibility of resigned Bishops, and also a change proposed by the Bishop of Albany, of Clause [4.], of Section xvi., of Canon 15, of Title I., as reported by the Committee on Canons, and who were also ordered to consider and report upon the whole subject of the Translation of Bishops, beg leave to present, as the result of their deliberations, the following report:—

The Committee adopt, as the basis upon which our past legislation in regard to Bishops shall be reviewed, and our future legislation guided, this principle: *that all Bishops, Diocesan, Assistant, and Missionary, be placed, as far as possible, upon the same level of rights and privileges.*

In entering upon their work, the Committee meet a difficulty at once, in the peculiar, not to say anomalous, position of our Assistant Bishops. The question suggests itself, *Have they, or have they not, any Jurisdiction?*

We think, that, under the Canonical regulations of this Church, they have Jurisdiction conveyed to them, for the reason that they are ordained with specific relation to a defined territory; for the reason also, that they have a vested right of succession to the Episcopal charge of such territory secured to them; and for the further reason, that they are admitted with full prerogatives to a seat in the House of Bishops, under Article 3 of the Constitution, which in its original intention, and by its historical interpretation, limits its membership to Bishops having actual Jurisdiction. We distinguish between the *possession* of Jurisdiction, and the *exercise* of Jurisdiction. By the law of the Church, and from the nature of the Assistant's position, the *exercise* of his Jurisdiction within his Diocese is temporarily restricted, until certain contingencies bring it into action.

There is perhaps no exact analogy. The relation of an Assistant to the Diocesan is one thing; the relation of the Assistant to the Diocese is another thing. While the relation of the Assistant to the Diocesan is that of a son to a father, or of an agent to a principal, yet the relation of an Assistant to the Diocese for which he has been ordained, under the conditions of the existing law, is, so far as Jurisdiction is concerned, that of conditional ownership, or perhaps of joint occupancy with the Bishop. A title of Jurisdiction is given to him, which, by specific provisions, is temporarily dormant. The title of an eldest son to an estate, under the laws of primogeniture, partially illustrates the idea. Or, the right of dower, which involves a *present title* as well as a *future use*, may more nearly illustrate it.

Guided by these views, your Committee find, that by a strange oversight, Article 5 of our Constitution, which provides for the Division of Dioceses, ignores the clearly recognized right of an Assistant, and inadvertently perpetrates a serious injustice. The Assistant is ordained, under Title I., Canon 15, Section v., with an absolute right of succession in the Jurisdiction of the whole Diocese over which the Diocesan actually exercises Jurisdiction. His title in the Diocese is as good as that of the Diocesan. The claim of each is somewhat like that of the joint and undivided interest of two owners of an estate: each has an interest in the whole property; and, before a sale can be effected, each owner must unite in the conveyance.

Such is the claim of the Assistant, under our laws, to his equal ultimate share in the Jurisdiction of the whole Diocese.

And yet, in the Constitutional provision for the Division of Dioceses, this chartered right of an Assistant to say whether or not he will consent to part

with a portion of his conditional Jurisdiction, is denied to him. We need not argue so plain a case.

Article 5 of the Constitution should be altered (on p. 8, second paragraph, line 7 from the top of the page), by inserting after the word "Bishop" the words "and Assistant Bishop, if there be one;" so that the paragraph may read, "unless with the consent of the Bishop, and Assistant Bishop, if there be one, and Convention," etc.

In regard to the effect of *resignations, as bearing upon the eligibility and translation of Bishops*, your Committee are impressed by the conviction, that whatever is done by this House should be done with reference to a uniformity of rule and the equalization of privilege.

If one Bishop may resign, all Bishops in similar circumstances should be allowed to resign. If resignation involves ineligibility in one case, it should involve it in all cases.

If, on the other hand, one Bishop or one class of Bishops, permitted to resign, is left eligible to new Episcopal relations, the same privilege of resignation and re-election should be guaranteed to all Bishops; and thus the general right of translations should be canonically indorsed and secured, subject always, in the individual cases, to the revision and final decision of the House of Bishops.

1. In case this House shall *disapprove of translations*, it will be necessary to pass the Canon recommended by the Committee on Canons in their Report No. 2, inserting therein, after the word "Diocesan," the word "Assistant," so that Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., Clause [4.], on p. 79, shall read, "No Diocesan, Assistant, or Missionary Bishop, whose resignation of Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall be eligible to any Missionary Jurisdiction, or to any Diocese now in union, or which may be hereafter admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church, having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese."

It will also be necessary to strike out the last half of the first paragraph of Clause [5.], of Section vii., of Canon 15, of Title I., on p. 66, which declares, among other privileges conveyed and secured to Domestic Missionary Bishops, "and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States."

2. In case this House shall *approve of translations*, it will retain the paragraph last referred to, in Clause [5.], Section vii., of Canon 15, of Title I.

And it will be proper also to repeal all that former part of Clause [4.], of Section xvi., of Canon 15, of Title I., which declares the ineligibility of resigned Bishops.

It has seemed to the Committee of little importance in what form the subject of translations shall be brought before this House for its action. They have thought it best to follow what has heretofore seemed to be the drift of thought and preference in this House.

In regard to the *status* of an Assistant Bishop, the Committee are agreed, that, in all matters not necessarily and temporarily limited by his relations to the Diocesan, he is in the same position with every other Bishop.

They therefore unanimously recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

[1.] *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article 5 of the Constitution be altered by inserting the words, "and Assistant Bishop, if there be one," after the word "Bishop," in the second paragraph of said Article (on p. 8), so that the paragraph shall read: "unless with the consent of the Bishop, and Assistant Bishop, if there be one, and Convention, etc.;" and that the alteration here proposed be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it may be finally agreed to or ratified in the ensuing General Convention.

In regard to the *effect of resignations, and the expediency of allowing*

*translations*, there was a difference of opinion in the Committee. With the understanding that the object of this report is to bring the subject of translations distinctly before the House, and reserving to each member the right of expressing his views, and of voting as he may feel conscientiously bound, the Committee unite in presenting the following resolutions:—

[2.] *Resolved*, That this House disapprove the principle of encouraging or allowing Episcopal translations in this Church.

[3.] *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Clause [4.] of Section xvi., of Canon 15, of Title I., (on p. 79), be so amended as to read, "No Diocesan, Assistant, or Missionary Bishop, whose resignation of Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Missionary Jurisdiction, or to any Diocese now in union, or which may be hereafter admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church, within the limits of his Diocese."

[4.] *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the phrase, "and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States," be stricken out from the first paragraph of Clause [5.] of Section vii., of Canon 15, of Title I. (on p. 66), so that the paragraph as amended shall read, "Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops."

THOMAS H. VAIL.

ROBERT H. CLARKSON.

JOHN F. YOUNG.

T. U. DUDLEY.

HUGH MILLER THOMPSON.

On motion, the foregoing Report was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow, at two o'clock.

The Bishop of Quincy presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Joint Religious Services, to whom was referred the resolution offered on the fifth day of the session by the Bishop of Missouri, respectfully report:—

A large part of the action proposed in the resolution is covered by action of the House on the seventh day of the session. With reference to other parts, they recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That there be added to the Rule of Order adopted on the seventh day, and numbered III. of the Daily Order, these words: "On days when the Bishops are expected to meet with the Deputies and others in the Board of Missions during any part of the forenoon, the first business shall be the consideration of such matters as the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report as urgently demanding attention. After that shall follow consideration of Messages from the House of Deputies not disposed of, and a call for reports from Standing Committees. Then may follow any business for which time shall remain. If the Board of Missions shall adjourn before the hour of adjournment of the House of Bishops, the House shall resume its sitting. Any part of this rule may be suspended by a majority vote."

For the Committee.

M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That Rule II. of the Daily Order be amended by inserting at the close of the sentence next to the last, after the word "President," the fol-

lowing clause: "But after the third day of the session the roll shall not be called, unless by order of the House;"

which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, the Rules of Order, as amended, were ordered to be printed.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## FOURTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, Oct. 18, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

An invitation was received from the American Sunday-School Union to visit its rooms, and the Secretary was directed to return the thanks of the House for the courtesy.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution of the Bishop of Easton relative to the appointment of a Joint Commission for the purpose of codifying the law of discipline in this Church, etc., and also the propriety of referring to such Joint Commission the subject of providing some other mode, not of the nature of criminal procedure, for the settlement of vexed questions; and also of an Appellate Court of ultimate resort, respectfully report : —

That they have had the matter referred to them under consideration, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission be appointed by the two Houses for the purpose of formulating and codifying the Law of Discipline in this Church in such wise as to avoid uncertainties, and to insure a just restraint in all matters of doctrine, ritual, and morals.

*Resolved*, That it be referred to this Joint Commission to consider and report upon the expediency of providing some other mode, not of the nature of criminal procedure, than that which now exists, for the settlement of vexed questions.

*Resolved*, That it be further referred to this Joint Commission to consider and report upon the expediency of providing for the creation of an Appellate Court of ultimate resort for the final determination of Ecclesiastical causes.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. : —

## REPORT No. 23.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Iowa, inquiring if it is not the duty of the Treasurer of the General Convention, under the provisions of Title III., Canon 1, Section iv., of the Digest, to report to both Houses of the Convention, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this House, the Treasurer's "account" should "be rendered triennially to" each House of "the Convention," and audited by a Joint Committee of the same, according to the requirements of Title III., Canon 1, Section iv.; and that in all expenditures of moneys for the purposes of the General Convention, the action of each House of the Convention should be had, in accordance with the same Canon, to give validity to an appropriation.

*Resolved*, That the above resolution be transmitted to the House of Deputies.

On motion, the resolutions as reported were adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz.:—

## REPORT No. 24.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Springfield, as to the expediency of making an addition to Title II., Canon 1, providing for the presentment of a Clergyman convicted in a civil or criminal court, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That an additional section, to be numbered Section v., be added to Title II., Canon 1, to read as follows:—

§ v. It shall be the duty of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of any Diocese or Jurisdiction of this Church to present for trial before the Ecclesiastical Court, constituted under the Canons of that Diocese or Jurisdiction, any Clergyman canonically resident therein, who has been convicted in any civil or criminal court of record of any crime, misdemeanor, or immorality; presentment being based upon the alleged crime or immorality of which the Clergyman has been found guilty by said court.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report:—

The Special Committee appointed to take into consideration the preamble and resolution offered by the Bishop of Springfield relating to the "personal responsibility of each Bishop for the sentiments expressed and the statements made in the Pastoral Letters which are from time to time put forth by the House of Bishops," respectfully report, that in their opinion it has always been understood that the Pastoral Letters are to be regarded as representing the mind of the House of Bishops, and of each Bishop, in the same degree, and to the same extent, as any other action of the House, and no further. The Committee ask, therefore, to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.



The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee appointed in 1880, on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops, ask leave to report, that, having carefully considered the subject-matter referred to them, they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops shall receive and report any information touching any one who has been nominated for election as Missionary Bishop, and especially any information concerning the intellectual, moral, and physical qualifications of the person nominated, with dates of birth and graduation, and specific statements as to theological attainments, proficiency in languages ancient or modern, and as to any specialty in sacred studies to which he may have devoted himself.

*Resolved*, That no election of a Missionary Bishop shall be made until the third day after nomination.

Respectfully submitted.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution, viz. :—

WHEREAS; The number of immigrants from other lands, especially British and Scandinavian, is very large, and likely to be yet larger;

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants be appointed, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, whose duty it shall be to gather the requisite facts, to correspond with the Ecclesiastical Authorities in other countries, and devise such means as will protect the interests of the immigrants, and place them under proper spiritual influence;

which, on motion, was adopted.

The Order of the Day being called, the House proceeded to receive nominations of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

MESSAGE No. 27.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, to consist of three Bishops, three Clergymen learned in Canon Law, and three Laymen being jurists, be appointed to consider the duty of the Church in relation to the whole subject of Marriage, including the impediments to the contract thereof, the manner of its solemnization, and the conditions of its dissolution, and to report to the next General Convention.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the House concurred in Message No. 27 of the House of Deputies.

The following Message was received, viz. :—



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MESSAGE No. 28.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title III., Canon 9, Section i., Article VII., of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, communicated to this House by Message No. 31 from the House of Bishops.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

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MESSAGE No. 29.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 32 (concerning the amendment of the constitution of the General Theological Seminary).

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee appointed at the last General Convention, on the mode of notifying Bishops-nominate of their election, beg leave to report the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section ii. [2.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop-elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Also, that Section iii., [1.], be amended by omitting all after the words "House of Bishops" in line 14 (the last on the page), and adding as follows:—

"Who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church having Jurisdiction within the United States;" and, if a majority of said Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop-elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen have met, but after discussion have found themselves unable as yet to agree upon any substantive measures which would be practically available in meeting the difficulties, and settling the important questions, involved in the subject. It is, however, one of growing importance, especially in view of the difficulty of avoiding the bringing the law of the Church in conflict

with the laws of the several States regulating the organization of Church corporations, and the powers and functions of their officers.

The proper adjustment of these relations will require patient investigation and conference. One of the members of this Committee, after giving careful study and reflection to the subject, has embodied the results of his investigation in the form of a statement, which, in the judgment of your Committee, contains so much valuable thought and information, that the Committee, without being prepared to adopt it, have, nevertheless, thought it advisable to annex it to their Report, to the end that it may be printed with it for the information of the Church, and the more convenient use of any Committee who may be charged with the further consideration of the subject. (See Appendix X.)

Under these circumstances, the Committee ask to be continued, and that two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be added to their number; and they submit the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen be continued, and that two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be added to their number.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## FIFTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 19, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Canons, presented a report on the resolution offered by the Bishop of Western New York in reference to the admission of candidates from other religious bodies, which, on motion, was referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

The Bishop of Mississippi was excused, by a unanimous rising vote, from further attendance during the session, and took leave of the House in a brief address.

The Bishop of Central New York presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Joint Committee on Education under the auspices of the Protestant Episcopal Church respectfully submit the following report:—

Your Committee are convinced that no further consideration of the principle and methods of Christian education is needed. The general subject has been sufficiently treated in foregoing reports. We have only one or two

practical suggestions to offer. We need united action in the support of our present institutions. "Disunion is the death of action." The Committee on the State of the Church reported, in 1880, 15 Collegiate Institutions in 12 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions, and 93 "Academic Institutions" in 38 Dioceses and Jurisdictions. Few, if any, of these have any sufficiency of endowment. Few are sustained as the interests of the Church require. The sons of Churchmen through the great colleges; while, to take an example, our one New-England college scarcely has the opportunity, because of its small number of students, to vindicate its claims to public confidence. Double the number of students, and the efficiency of the college will be developed in proportion. It is needless to say that the best instruction and largest provision for a liberal education are required. For this end, the generous gifts of Churchmen are called for. There is much munificence on the part of our rich men, but it sometimes needs a wise direction. Without adequate endowment, no school or college can hope for permanence; and a transient success (without fault or failure in management) may be followed by speedy decline. We need more faith in the Church as the divinely gifted educator. We need to believe, in the pregnant words of the present Archbishop of Canterbury, that "there is no function, no region of life or thought, which it is not the Church's duty to occupy."

Furthermore, in the judgment of your Committee, the number of schools for both sexes, in which the best training can be had at the lowest cost, should be greatly increased. Many of our Dioceses require an organized system of Church schools; but for these objects, funds, and skilled teachers, men and women, willing to work for a bare living, are indispensable.

The seal of the Church's approval is already set upon those associations of devout women, Sisters or Deaconesses, now engaged in this blessed work. Your Committee believe that some tie of union among those specially devoted to Christian education in the Church is to be desired, which, by meetings for mutual encouragement and conference, might give increased knowledge of ways and means, kindle a deeper enthusiasm in their work, and help to dispel narrow and sectional views, by enlarging them to realize that theirs is part and parcel of the great work of breaking down the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death, and building up instead thereof the walls of Jerusalem.

That these ends may be advanced, and the hearts of our fellow Churchmen moved to their due consideration, your Committee would respectfully submit, and urge the adoption of, the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, or some other day to be designated by the Bishops, be set apart by this Church as a day of special intercession for our schools and colleges; and that the Bishops be requested to set forth and authorize for use prayers specially adapted for this purpose.

On motion of the Bishop of Western Michigan, the resolution as reported was amended by the substitution of the second Sunday after Epiphany for the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, and by leaving out the words, "or some other day to be designated by the Bishops."

On motion, the resolution as thus amended was adopted.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

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MESSAGE No. 30.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs in Message No. 44 from the House of Bishops (concerning the proposed appointment of a Committee on Emigration), and names as members of such Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the Rev. Dr. Davies of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Mr. Converse of Massachusetts, Mr. Johnson of Maryland, Mr. Tracy of New York, and Mr. Coffin of Pennsylvania.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop presiding appointed the Bishop of Nebraska, the Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas, and the Bishop of Northern New Jersey, as members, on the part of this House, of the Joint Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee of this House appointed to confer with a Committee from the House of Deputies, on the question of the non-concurrence of the two Houses in respect to the erection of a new Diocese in the Diocese of North Carolina, beg leave to report:—

That they have had two Conferences with the Committee of the other House, and have entered into a very full discussion of the facts and arguments presented by the Memorialists from North Carolina. As the result of this discussion, your Committee, while distinctly and strongly opposed on principle to the unnecessary multiplication of Dioceses, and particularly to any weakening or ignoring of existing Constitutional restraints upon the division of Dioceses, feel themselves constrained to move, that, in this case, the House of Bishops recede from its former action, and concur with the House of Deputies in giving consent to the erection of the proposed new Diocese in the Diocese of North Carolina.

HENRY A. NEELY.  
R. W. B. ELLIOTT.  
GEO. D. GILLESPIE.

On motion, the Report was made the Order of the Day for Monday, October 22, at twelve o'clock.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on the Translation of Bishops was made the Order of the Day immediately after the Order appointed for Monday, October 22, at twelve o'clock.

The Bishop of Missouri, from the Joint Committee to report a Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French Language, presented the Report of the Committee, which was adopted. (See subsequent action on Message No. 31 of the House of Deputies.)

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 31.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee to report a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language be continued, and that the vacancies now existing in it be filled.

*Resolved*, That the Joint Committee be authorized to prepare a new translation of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, to be presented, when complete, to the General Convention, provided that the

cost of making and printing the said version be not chargeable to the funds of this Convention.

*Resolved*, That this Committee report to the General Convention to be held in the year 1886.

And the House of Deputies has appointed to fill the existing vacancy, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Percival of Louisiana.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message; and the Chair appointed as members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Missouri and Louisiana, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

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MESSAGE No. 32.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen, be continued;

And that two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be added to their number;

And that the following additional members be appointed on the part of this House:—

The Rev. Dr. Leeds of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Anstice of Western New York, Mr. George C. Hance of New Jersey, and Mr. John H. Shoenberger of Pittsburg.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message; and the Bishop presiding appointed the Bishops of Easton and Michigan as members of the Joint Committee on the part of this House.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 33.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Trustees of the "Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen," etc., be and are hereby authorized, if they deem it expedient, to accept the gift proffered by the Bishop of Minnesota, and to arrange for its management by a local board as representative of the Church at large.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions be requested to allow the use of two pages in each number of "The Spirit of Missions," for the purposes of this Fund.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the foregoing Message was referred to a Special Committee.

The Chair appointed as such Committee, the Bishops of Maine, Utah, and New Jersey.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies, viz. :—



OCTOBER 19, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 34.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in the form of the Amendment to the Fifth Article of the Constitution, proposed in Message No. 14 from the House of Bishops, and asks for a Committee of Conference.

And the House of Deputies appoints, as the members of such proposed Committee of Conference, on its part, Mr. Wilder of Minnesota, Mr. Abert of Maryland, and the Rev. Dr. Brown of Western New York.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message, asking for a Committee of Conference, and designated the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution as the members of this House on said Committee of Conference.

The Bishop of Western New York presented the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, 1. That a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, be appointed to report what Ecclesiastical vestments or *insignia* have been lawfully used in the Church of England, or in this Church, since the setting forth of the Prayer Book of 1549; and that said Commission shall cause to be prepared a set of drawings, illustrative of their Report, of such vestments and *insignia*.

2. That, when such drawings as may be thus reported and submitted to the General Convention for approval have been accepted and approved by the General Convention, they shall be gathered into a book, duly attested, and delivered into the custody of the Registrar of the House of Bishops, who shall permit copies to be made therefrom, under certificate of any Bishop of this Church, that they have been compared with the originals, and are correct, and authorized to be published.

3. The Commission shall also, in like manner, set forth the proper vestments for Readers and Singers.

4. The purpose of this Commission is hereby declared to be, to provide a standard, whereby all doubt may be removed, touching the vestments and *insignia* which are lawful in this Church; so that any Clergyman officiating in the vestments, thus proved to be canonical, may be free from all censure, and entitled to testimonials of good standing in his Ministry;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Easton presented a Report from the Joint Committee, asked for in Message 14 of the House of Deputies, on the Increase of the Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy, etc.; which, on motion, was referred to the Special Committee on Message 33 of the House of Deputies.

The Bishop presiding appointed, as members of this House, on the Joint Committee on the Subject of Marriage, asked for in Message No. 27 of the House of Deputies, the Bishops of Rhode Island, Albany, and Central New York.

On motion, the House adjourned to ten o'clock on Saturday.



## SIXTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 20, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The roll was called : present, the Bishops of Delaware, Texas, Ohio, Utah, Vermont, Nevada, Wisconsin, Southern Ohio, Quincy, and West Virginia.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with ; and, on motion, the House adjourned.

## SEVENTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 22, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Texas in the Chair.

The Bishops of Connecticut and Central Pennsylvania introduced to the House the Right Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., LL.D., Assistant Bishop of New York, consecrated on October 20, 1883 ; and he was welcomed by the Bishop presiding.

The Bishop of Connecticut took the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes of the sessions of October 19 and 20 were read and approved.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 35.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 9, be amended, so as to read as follows : —

*Of Lay Readers.*

§ 1. A Lay Communicant of this Church may receive from a Bishop a written license to conduct the service of the Church in a Congregation convened for public worship, as a Lay Reader ; but such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunities, to secure the services of an ordained Minister.

Such license may be given by the Bishop, of his own motion, for service in any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission ; but where a Rector is in

charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Bishop. Such license must be given for a definite period, not longer than one year from its date; but it may be renewed from time to time by the Bishop's indorsement to that effect. The license of any Lay Reader may be revoked at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ ii. A Lay Reader so licensed shall not act as such in any Diocese other than his own, unless he shall have received another license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve. If he be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such Institution.

§ iii. Every Lay Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. In all matters relating to the conduct of the Service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission, in which he is serving, or, where there is no Minister in charge, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall not use the Absolution, nor the Benediction, nor the Offices of the Church, except those for the Burial of the Dead, and for the Visitation of the Sick and of Prisoners, omitting in these last the Absolutions and the Benedictions. He shall not deliver sermons of his own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation. He shall not, without urgent reason, read any part of the Service, except the Lessons, when a Clergyman is present. This Canon shall not prevent students in any college or seminary from reading such parts of the Chapel Services as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Presiding Officer.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 20, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 36.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs in Message No. 46 from the House of Bishops, concerning the setting apart of the second Sunday after the Epiphany as a day of special intercession for our schools and colleges.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 20, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 37.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed as members of the Joint Committee to consider the duty of the Church in relation to the whole subject of Marriage, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Dix of New York, the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Missouri, the Rev. Dr. Franklin of New Jersey, Mr. Gilbert of Long Island, Mr. Bennett of Massachusetts, and Mr. Granger of Southern Ohio.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 20, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 38.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of three Bishops, three Clerical, and three Lay Deputies, be appointed to recommend the place at which shall be held the next General Convention.

And the House of Deputies appoints as members of such Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the Rev. Dr. Sansom of Mississippi, the Rev. Dr. McVickar of Pennsylvania, Mr. Fish of New York, Mr. Judd of Illinois, and Mr. King of Long Island.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing resolution; and the Chair appointed as members of such Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Tennessee, Central Pennsylvania, and Oregon.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 27.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution reported by the Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee appointed at the last General Convention, on the mode of notifying Bishops-nominate of their election, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section ii., [2], be amended so as to read as follows:—

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop-elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Also, that Section iii., [1], be amended by omitting all after the words "House of Bishops" in line 14 (the last on the page), and adding as follows:—

Who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction; and if a majority of the said Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop-elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report:—

#### REPORT No. 28.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Western New York, proposing action touching Ecclesiastical vestments or *insignia*, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject referred to them, on the ground, that, while it is desirable to arrange, as far as possible, a uniform set of vestments for the Clergy min-

istering in Divine Service, yet, by reason of the practical difficulties in adopting at this time a matter so full of complications, the Committee deem it inexpedient at present to take action on the subject.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the report was re-committed to the Committee on Canons for further consideration.

The Bishop of Delaware appeared, and took the Chair.

The Bishop of Missouri presented the following Report: —

The Committee of Conference appointed to consider the disagreeing rules of the two Houses, on the powers and functions of Special Joint Committees, and having had specially before them the resolution of this House requesting the Committee to report that Joint Special Committees be held in office until they have been dissolved by concurrent vote, or until their reports have been acted on by both Houses, respectfully report that they have had a full and free conference on the subject.

The Committee declined, by vote, to recommend the passage of the order, under the persuasion that the House of Deputies would adhere to their preference for the ordinary parliamentary rule, that Joint Special Committees be discharged after the consideration of the subject referred to them, and a final report upon them.

The Committee recommend to the House to reconsider their vote declining to adopt the first resolution in their former report, and accede to the Joint Rules already laid before this House.

They therefore move the adoption of the following resolutions: —

First, that the first Joint Rule be adopted.

Second, that the second Joint Rule be adopted.

Third, that the Rules be published in the Journal.

H. C. LAY,  
C. F. ROBERTSON,  
O. W. WHITTAKER,  
ALEX. BURGESS,

*Committee of Conference on the part of the House of Bishops.*

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted.

The Assistant Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of West Virginia introduced to the House the Right Rev. Alfred M. Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia, consecrated on October 21, 1883; and he was welcomed by the Bishop presiding.

The Report of the Committee of Conference, on the subject of a new Diocese in North Carolina, having been called up, —

On motion, the House receded from its former action, and concurred with the House of Deputies in consenting to a division of the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Order of the Day, being the Report of the Special Committee on the Translation of Bishops, was called.

On motion, the first resolution, in reference to the proposed amendment of Article 5 of the Constitution, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion, the second resolution was laid on the table for the present.

The question being on the third resolution, the following amendment, offered by the Bishop of Albany, was adopted, viz. : —

Any Bishop, Diocesan, Assistant, or Missionary, whose resignation of his Episcopal Jurisdiction of a Diocese has been consummated pursuant to this Section, may perform Episcopal acts at the request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Jurisdiction of this Church, within the limits of said Diocese or Jurisdiction.

On motion, the third resolution, as thus amended, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the fourth resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 40.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 10, be amended so as to read as follows:—

#### CANON 10.

*Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries, by Bishops in Communion with this Church.*

§ i. No Clergyman, but those canonically resident in some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, shall be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, unless he shall have been licensed so to officiate by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. Such license shall not be granted by the Ecclesiastical Authority but upon a letter commendatory from some Bishop in communion with this Church, or other satisfactory evidence of his being in Holy Orders, and of his good character.

*Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to forbid the officiating by any Minister belonging to a Church in communion with this Church, who is personally known as such to the Minister, Church-warden, or other officer of the Church where he so officiates, and who, not having actually been within the limits of the Diocese more than thirty days, has been unable to obtain the required license.

§ ii. Before any such Clergyman shall be permitted to serve in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority a letter of dismission under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section vii. of Canon 14, of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the Jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismis-

sion was brought, to the full Jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church;

*Provided*, That no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same;

*Provided* also, That such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission.

And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 39.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That, for the remainder of the session, the hour of Morning Prayer be fixed at 9.30 A.M.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the rule requiring the House to meet an hour after the hour for Morning Prayer in the House of Deputies was suspended; and the House voted to meet every morning, for the remainder of the session, at ten o'clock.

On motion, leave of absence was given to the Bishop of Southern Ohio for the remainder of the session.

The Order of the Day having been called, the House proceeded, after the usual devotional services, to the nomination, by ballot, of a Presbyter to be Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

The Assistant Bishop of New York and the Assistant Bishop of Virginia having been appointed tellers, it was found that the Rev. William D. Walker, of the Diocese of New York, had been chosen; and, on motion, the nomination was ordered to be transmitted to the House of Deputies.

On motion, the House adjourned.



## EIGHTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 23, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Right Rev. Dr. Potter resigned his position as Secretary of the House.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the resignation was accepted.

On motion, a Committee was appointed, consisting of the Bishops of Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Albany, to take proper recognition of the services of the late Secretary.

The Assistant Bishop of New York nominated the Rev. William Tatlock, D.D., of Connecticut, as Secretary of the House.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with; and Dr. Tatlock was unanimously elected, and presented to the House as the Secretary by the Bishop of Connecticut and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

The same Committee as before was appointed to express the sense of the House as to his past services as Assistant Secretary.

The Assistant Bishop of New York offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the following be added to the Rules of Order, and numbered XVIII., and that Rules of Order XVIII., XIX., and XX., be hereafter numbered respectively, XIX., XX., and XXI.

*Rule of Order XVIII.* — It shall be competent to the House of Bishops to convene as, or, being convened, to resolve itself into, a Council of Bishops, at which only members of the House of Bishops shall be present, and in which one of the members of said House, chosen for that purpose, shall act as Clerk;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Special Committee to whom was referred Message 33, from the House of Deputies, and also the resolutions of the Joint Committee appointed "to consider and report the best method of increasing the ability and extending the benefits of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen," respectfully report:—

1. That, in the opinion of your Committee, the questions presented in the resolutions contained in Message No. 33 from the House of Deputies, viz., (1) That of accepting the property generously proffered by the Bishop of Min-

nesota, and arranging for its management; and (2) That of requesting space in "The Spirit of Missions" to present the claims of this Fund, — may best be left, without instructions, to the judgment of the Trustees of the Fund.

2. That the third resolution offered by the Joint Committee, instructing the Trustees of the Fund to secure, if possible, the vesting of the copyright of the "Book Annexed," etc., in these Trustees, should be approved.

3. That the fourth resolution of the Joint Committee (requesting "every Minister in charge of a Congregation to reserve, from this time forth, out of the alms and other devotions of the people collected upon each and every occasion of the administration of the Holy Communion, an amount equivalent to not less than one nor more than ten per cent of the whole amount, to be forwarded and paid over to the Trustees of this Fund") is inexpedient, because a general compliance with it would be impracticable.

Your Committee submit the following resolutions: —

1. *Resolved*, That this House does not concur in Message No. 33 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that it deems it wiser to leave the questions presented, without instructions, to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy, etc.

2. That the third resolution of the Joint Committee be, and is hereby, approved.

3. That the fourth resolution of the Joint Committee be not approved.

H. A. NEELY, *for Committee*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter was made the Order of the Day for Wednesday, October 24, at twelve o'clock.

The House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Minnesota offered the following resolution, viz.: —

*Resolved*, That this House of Bishops approves of the action of the Mexican Commission of this House in requesting the resignation of his Jurisdiction by the Bishop of the Valley of Mexico;

which was unanimously adopted.

The Bishop of Western Texas offered the following resolutions, viz., —

*Resolved*, That this House earnestly recommends to the Board of Missions, that mission work in Mexico be carried forward;

which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That this House recommends to the Board of Missions, that a Presbyter, who shall be the representative of this Church, be immediately sent to Mexico, who shall have charge of the American Congregation, and who shall have in his hands the disbursement of all funds, and the sole assignment of all stipends, under the direction of the Foreign Committee; and that the said Presbyter be under the Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop.

On motion, the second resolution was laid on the table.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 41.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title 1, Canon 9, Section iii., [5.], communicated to this House in their Message No. 16, with the amendment that such clause do read as follows : —

[5.] He shall not deliver Sermons of his own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 23, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 43.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions : —

(1) *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is recommended to each Diocese, to obtain, without delay, such legislation as may be found necessary with respect to the existing laws of the State, for the protection of its property, real and personal, and whether held for Diocesan or Parochial uses.

(2) *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That all real estate held in any Diocese, for Diocesan or Parochial purposes, should have the use for which it is held impressed upon its title.

(3) *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a form of conveyance should be provided, under which Churches shall acquire title to real estate, with proper limitations in trust.

(4) *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committees on Canons be, and they are hereby, requested to consider and report if, in their judgment, Canon 24, Title I., should be amended so as to require that title to real estate for Churches, Chapels, or Rectories, shall be so taken as that the trusts under which they are held shall be limited in the conveyance.

(5) *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a permanent Board of Trustees, with proper provision for filling vacancies, should be legally incorporated in each Diocese, to take charge of and control all such property of the Diocese or of its Parishes as may be intrusted to it. When the Diocese is itself incorporated, the Act of Incorporation should provide for the exercise of its corporate powers in the care of property and the administration of trusts, by a Board of Trustees having some permanence of organization, rather than directly by the Diocesan Convention.

(6) *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission upon Church Incorporations and the Tenure of Church Property be and the same is hereby continued for the purpose of assisting, when requested, in the formulation of Diocesan and legislative action, suggesting forms of conveyance, and the collection of further information to be reported to the next General Convention.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was laid on the table for the present.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 23, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 44.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions: —

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in the form of the Amendment to the Fifth Article of the Constitution, proposed in Message No. 14 from the House of Bishops; and asks for a Committee of Conference.

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in Message No. 30 from the House of Bishops.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, it was voted that this House ask for a Committee of Conference, on the subject of the foregoing Message; the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution being designated as the Committee on the part of this House.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 23, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 45.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following named persons (list appended), having been nominated by the several Dioceses, be, and hereby are, elected Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to serve until October, 1884.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

On motion, the House took a recess until eight o'clock.

The House resumed its session at eight o'clock, and went into Committee of the Whole.

The Committee having risen, on motion, the House adjourned.

## NINETEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 24, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter was made the Order of the Day at three o'clock.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to prepare a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Norwegian language.

The Chair appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Albany, Wisconsin, and Iowa.

Message No. 43 of the House of Deputies, in reference to the protection of Diocesan property, etc., having been called up from the table, —

On motion, the first resolution contained in the Message was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted.

On motion, the fourth resolution was adopted, referring certain matters to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the fifth resolution was adopted.

On motion, the sixth resolution was adopted.

A motion to authorize the Joint Commission on Church Incorporations, etc., to print and circulate their Report, was adopted.

The Bishop of Easton presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, to whom was referred Message No. 45 from the House of Deputies, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops concurs in the action proposed in Message No. 45 from the House of Deputies, electing the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to serve until the 1st of October, 1884.

HENRY C. LAY, *for the Committee.*

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Connecticut, from the Special Committee appointed to express the sense of the House in reference to the services of the late Secretary and Assistant Secretary of this House, offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That on accepting the resignation, by the Right Rev. the Assistant Bishop of New York, of the office of Secretary of this House, the House of Bishops desires to put on record its grateful appreciation of his eminently satisfactory and untiring services in the office which he has held for seventeen years, and which he leaves now only to take part in the deliberations of this House.

In connection with this expression, this House also desires to place upon

record its hearty sense of the rare fidelity and unwearied services of the valued associate of their late Secretary, the Rev. William Tatlock, D.D., late Assistant Secretary of this House.

J. WILLIAMS.  
WM. BACON STEVENS.  
WM. CROSWELL DOANE.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted.  
The Bishop of Ohio presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report:—

That they have had under consideration several reports from the Foreign field, and the resignations of the Bishops of Shanghai in China, and of Cape Palmas in Liberia; as well as the Report of the Committee of Reference on Foreign Missions, appointed in accordance with the decision of the late Lambeth Conference.

The aspect of our Mission in Japan is cheerful, cheering, and full of hope. Affairs are wisely conducted. The Gospel is meeting with large success. The comparatively trifling question of Jurisdiction is settled satisfactorily, and a Form of Public Prayer for common use in both the English and American Church Missions has been published. We desire, whilst congratulating Bishop Williams, to strengthen his wishes concerning a portion of that Book, by a word of counsel. We embody it in one of the resolutions following.

The progress of the Mission in China is very gratifying. Ten native Christians are already in Holy Orders, and fifteen candidates are preparing for Orders. St. John's College has assumed a position of decided influence, largely assisted by the reputation of our Bishop as a master in the scholarship which the Chinese venerate. This College is now one of the principal factors in our Missionary operations at Shanghai. We grieve to learn that some divisions have occurred among the small band of faithful brethren laboring there. It is due somewhat to the necessary absence of the Bishop, and will be remedied so soon as the Mission shall again enjoy practical oversight. The continued indisposition of our Right Reverend brother causes us, as well as the Foreign Committee and the Mission, great anxiety; the rather, that late accounts concerning his state of health, and the fact of his resignation of Jurisdiction, removed our lingering hope that he would be so far restored as to be able to resume partial labors in the Episcopate. We sympathize deeply with him and his devoted wife in this affliction; but, agreeing in his opinion that the Mission needs prompt and vigorous oversight, we feel constrained to recommend the acceptance of his resignation of Jurisdiction.

With similar sentiments of sympathy and profound regret, we recommend the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop of Cape Palmas. The effect of the climate upon his health has been so decidedly injurious, so nearly fatal, and has produced such an incapacity for his continuing to work in that field, that we cannot recommend to him even another experimental voyage to the African coast.

On the subject of our future policy as to Episcopal oversight in our Mission to Africa, the Committee beg leave to delay their Report for the present.

Your Committee, therefore, propose the following resolutions:—

1. The House of Bishops congratulates the Bishop of Yedo in Japan, on the solution of differences as to the question of Jurisdiction, which has been obtained through his wisdom, and the Christian courtesy of the authorities of the Church of England; and they recommend, that in the Book of Common Prayer in use, or to be used, by the Japanese churches of our Mission, there shall be inserted, by note, or appendix, or in what method shall seem



best to him, and shall always be used in administering the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, a translation of the complete "Prayer of Consecration," as it occurs in the Book of Common Prayer of this Church.

2. The House of Bishops expresses its deep sympathy with the Right Rev. Dr. Schereschewsky in his long-continued illness, and in the suffering which it has caused him; and with great regret assents to his request, and accepts his resignation of his Jurisdiction.

3. The House of Bishops respectfully recommends to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, that they will take into consideration the circumstances of Bishops whose resignations of foreign Jurisdictions shall have been accepted, and the propriety of making sufficient provision for their maintenance so long as the necessity shall continue.

4. That the vacancy in the Jurisdiction of Shanghai, in the Mission to China, be filled as soon as possible.

5. That the Report of the Committee of Reference be returned to the House, for publication in the Journal; and that the Committee be continued.

6. That the second resolution, as above, be communicated to the House of Deputies for their information.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. T. BEDELL, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted.

On motion, the fourth resolution was adopted.

On motion, the fifth resolution was adopted.

On motion, the sixth resolution was adopted.

On motion, the nomination of a Presbyterian to be the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai was made the Order of the Day for four o'clock to-day.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 29.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a Message from the House of Deputies, proposing certain Amendments in Title I., Canon 9, *Of Lay Readers*, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops concurs in the Amendments, proposed in Message from the House of Deputies No. 35, to Title I., Canon 9, *Of Lay Readers*.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 33.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 41 from the House of Deputies, communicating certain action of the said House

amending the Canon on Lay Readers, respectfully report that they advise the adoption of the following Resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in Message No. 41 of the House of Deputies, for the reason that the legislation contemplated has already been taken in another form by this House, and will be at once communicated to the House of Deputies.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Nebraska presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Joint Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants desire to report to the House of Bishops, that they have had a meeting with a similar Committee appointed by the House of Deputies, and organized; and that they have taken measures to carry out the wishes and instructions of both Houses of the General Convention, as set forth in the resolution under which they were appointed. The Committee desire now merely to report progress, and to ask leave to act during the interim between now and the next General Convention.

ROBERT H. CLARKSON.

THOMAS N. STARKEY.

ALEXANDER C. GARRETT.

On motion, the Joint Committee was continued until the next General Convention.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 31.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of inquiry respecting Title II., Canon 10, Section ii., Clause [2.], respectfully report, that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 2, Section i., last paragraph, be amended by the substitution of the word “deposed,” in place of the word “degraded;”

That, in the last sentence of Section ii. of the same Canon, the same change be made;

That Title II., Canon 9, Section vi., [3.], be amended by substituting, in lines 6 and 13, the word “deposition” for the word “degradation;”

That in Title II., Canon 9, Section vi., [10.], the same change be made;

That in Title II., Canon 9, Section vii., [1.], the same change be made.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 10, Section ii., [2.], be repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing Report was laid on the table for the present. Being subsequently called up, the resolutions as reported were adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

## REPORT No. 32.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was recommitted their Report No. 28 for further consideration, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to consider, and report to this House, what vestments of the Clergy for use in Divine Service are now lawful in this Church.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing Report was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

## REPORT No. 30.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the Bishop of Albany respecting Title II., Canons 6 and 11, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolutions, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 6, Section ii., be amended, so as to read as follows, viz. :—

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to suspend said Minister from the Ministry for a period not less than three years, and thereafter until he shall repent, and recant his errors. And the Bishop shall pronounce, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the sentence of suspension, and record the same as so pronounced.

*Provided*, nevertheless, That, if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings. And *provided*, That in terminating any sentence of suspension pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon who has abandoned the Ministry, under the provisions of this Canon, the Bishop shall: (1) Act with the advice and consent of his Standing Committee. (2) That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own; and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission, and their consent thereto. (3) That, before remitting such sentence, he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry, to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution. (4) That, in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides. (5) This Canon shall not apply to cases occurring before it takes effect, according to Title IV., Canon 4.

All which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

(Signed)

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report, viz. :—

## REPORT No. 34.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was recommitted their Report No. 26, proposing certain changes in Title I., Canon 2, Section vii., respectfully report that they have reconsidered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vii., clauses [1.] and [2.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

§ vii. [1.] When any person of ripe age and liberal education, who, having previously lived a sober and godly life, but not in the communion of this Church, has been duly confirmed and admitted as a Communicant of this Church, and desires to become a Candidate for Holy Orders, he shall give notice of his desire to become a Candidate, to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he may be resident, stating, —

1st, Whether he has applied for admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese; and,

2d, The ground and reasons of his desire; and,

3d, Furnishing sufficient evidence of his standing and character previous to his becoming a Communicant of this Church.

[2.] With the aforesaid notice of desire must be forwarded a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, from personal knowledge of the Postulant, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

[3.] If, on receipt of such notice and certificate, the Bishop authorize further procedure, the Postulant may apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation, in order to which he must lay before the Committee, —

1. A Testimonial from at least six persons professing faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and known to be men of virtuous life and character, of whom at least two shall be Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they have such testimonials of his former life and conversation as prove his pure moral character and pious conduct up to the time of his becoming a Communicant of this Church; and that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

2. The Standing Committee and Bishop may then proceed as provided for in Section iii. and Section iv. of this Canon.

3. Should such Postulant not be a citizen of the United States, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, with the notice of his intent to become a Candidate, satisfactory evidence that he has at that time resided at least one year in the United States.

4. But should such Postulant apply on the ground of a call to a Church in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, (1) the foregoing requisition may be dispensed with; and (2) it shall be in the discretion of the Bishop and Standing Committee, to dispense with the Testimonials required in Section ii. and Section iii. of this Canon, and to accept and act upon such other evidence as in the nature of the case may be obtainable, and shall seem to their judgment fully equivalent; and (3) in such case, a unanimous vote of the Standing Committee, at a meeting duly convened, shall be requisite;

*Provided*, also, That the Postulant shall be required to produce to the Bishop a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, testifying to the authenticity and credibility of the written evidences of his religious, moral, and literary qualifications; which certificate shall also be laid before the Standing Committee.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That an additional Section, to be numbered Section viii. of the said Canon, be adopted as follows:—

§ viii. When such Postulant, having fully attained the age of thirty years, desires to have a dispensation from the usual period of Candidateship, but not from any canonical examination, on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, then the course of procedure shall be as follows:—

[1.] Before being admitted a Candidate for Orders, he must produce a diploma of graduation in arts from some university or college, or a certificate from the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese that he has satisfactorily passed the examination as to literary qualifications as is elsewhere required in these Canons.

[2.] By and with the consent and advice of the Standing Committee, the Bishop may then admit such a person a Candidate for Holy Orders, and fix, with the concurrence of the Standing Committee, the period of his Candidateship.

Sections viii., ix., x., to be numbered Sections ix., x., xi., respectively.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing Report was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 35.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 40 from the House of Deputies, proposing certain amendments to Title I., Canon 10, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the action communicated in Message No. 40 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that certain important provisions of the existing Canon on that subject, which make Episcopal license of value to the Church, are removed.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 10, be amended so as to read as follows, to wit:—

#### CANON 10.

##### *Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.*

§ i. No Clergyman but those canonically resident in some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church shall be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, unless he shall have been licensed to officiate by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction. The Ecclesiastical Authority may not grant such license without a letter commendatory from the Bishop to whose Jurisdiction the Clergyman belongs, or evidence that shall be deemed satisfactory as to his being in Holy Orders; and also as to his pious and moral character, and his theological acquirements.

*Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to forbid the officiating, during a period not to exceed eight days, by any Minister belonging to a Church in communion with this Church, who is personally known as such to the Minister, Church-warden, or other officer of the church where he so officiates, and who, having applied for a license before, or immediately upon, his arrival within the limits of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, has been unable, by reason of the absence of the Bishop or the inability of the Ecclesiastical Authority to act during the interim, to obtain the required license.

§ ii. Before any such Clergyman shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church



as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority a letter of dismission under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected, which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section vii. of Canon 14 of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the Jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismission was brought, to the full Jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the Canonical provisions of this Church;

*Provided*, That no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution, which being done, said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same;

*Provided* also, That such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

All which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee.

WM. STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing resolutions were adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 46.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the view of the state of the Church herewith presented be transmitted to the House of Bishops, asking their prayers and benediction, and requesting them to prepare and cause to be published a Pastoral Letter “to all the Flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made them Overseers.”

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 47.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Convention adjourn *sine die*, on Friday evening, October 26, after the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business.



The Bishop of Western New York presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Joint Committee on the German Prayer Book beg to report, that their estimable and valued friend the Rev. Dr. Siegmund, the author of the Translation which has heretofore been reported by this Committee in its several stages of progress, has been providentially stricken with apparently incurable disease, and has been unable to continue his work. Happily, it had reached a stage of completeness in which it lacked only the Psalter, as lately revised in Germany, to be ready for the final report. At this point, however, we are met by the work of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, which renders a final report at this time obviously undesirable. The Joint Committee, therefore, the House of Deputies concurring, desire to be continued.

A. CLEVELAND COXE, *Chairman*.

OCTOBER 18, 1883.

On motion, the Committee was continued.

The following communication was received from the Registrar :—

The Registrar respectfully asks authority from the House of Bishops, to change the heading in the prescribed form of the Letter of Consecration, so that in place of the words, "*In the Name of God, Amen,*" shall be read, "*In the Name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Ghost, Amen.*"

J. H. HOBART, *Registrar*.

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

On motion, the request contained in the foregoing communication was granted.

The Registrar's Report of his official acts since the last General Convention was presented. (See Appendix XIII.)

The House took a recess until two o'clock.

The House resumed its session after recess.

The Bishop of Connecticut presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee of Conference on the part of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, in reference to amendments to Article 5 of the Constitution proposed and adopted by the House of Bishops, have met, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, which will bring the action of the two Houses to agreement:—

*Resolved*, That there be inserted into the amendment passed by the House of Bishops, after the words, "of such Jurisdiction," and next before the words, "until the same," the words, "or, if formed from two or more such Jurisdictions, then by the Senior Bishop in such Jurisdictions." So that such paragraphs shall read as follows:—

Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed out of a Missionary Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese as shall have been previously selected by the Bishop of such Jurisdiction, or, if formed from two or more such Jurisdictions,

then by the Senior Bishop in such Jurisdictions, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

J. WILLIAMS,

*Chairman on the part of the House of Bishops.*

E. T. WILDER,

*Chairman on the part of the House of Deputies.*

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

On motion, it was ordered, that, when the House take a recess again to-day, it be to resume session at eight o'clock this evening.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee appointed by the House of Bishops to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies, as to the place of holding the next meeting of the General Convention, respectfully report that they unanimously recommend the city of Chicago.

C. T. QUINTARD, *Chairman.*

On motion, the foregoing Report was laid on the table for the present.

The following Message was received : —

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 48.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on Emigration be continued, with leave to sit during the recess, and report to the next General Convention.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary.*

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message, with the amendment that the Joint Committee referred to be called the Joint Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants.

The following Message was received : —

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 49.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following amendment to the Canons be adopted.

Title III., Canon 8, is hereby amended so as to read as follows : —

§ i. It is hereby declared lawful for the Dioceses now existing or hereafter to exist, within the limits of any State or Commonwealth, to establish for themselves a federate Convention, or Council, representing such Dioceses, which may deliberate and decide upon the common interests of the Church within the limits aforesaid; but before any determinate action of such Convention, or Council, shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised thereby shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval.

§ ii. Any such federate Convention or Council may exercise any powers that shall have been previously approved by the General Convention for any other federate Convention or Council.

§ iii. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed as forbidding any federate Council from taking such action as they may deem necessary to secure

such legislative enactments as the common interests of the Church in the State may require.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 50.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That a copy of Report No. 28, of the Committee on Canons, of this House, be transmitted to the House of Bishops.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 51.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

§ ii. If a Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumour, of habitually neglecting the exercise of the Ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the Holy Eucharist, according to the Offices of this Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offences enumerated in Section i., it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumour. And in case of the individual being proceeded against, and convicted according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, Message No. 51 was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 52.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., communicated to this House in their Message No. 38; with the amendment that the proposed clauses [5.] and [6.] do read as follows:—

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his Jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, the Clerical members of the Standing Committee may make presentment;

*Provided*, That the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters; and, if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his Jurisdiction (excluding the members of the Standing Committee, and the accused), the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 53.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the Resolution (relating to the printing certain sections of Title II., Canon 9) communicated in their Message No. 25.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, a Committee of Conference was asked for on Message No. 53.

The Bishops of Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, were appointed on the part of this House.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 54.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the proposed new Section to be added to Title II., Canon 1, communicated by them in their Message No. 43.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, a Committee of Conference was asked for on Message No. 54, the members of the Committee on Canons being appointed on the part of this House.

The Bishop of South Dakota offered the following:—

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Standing Committee on Domestic Missions, to consider, and report to this House, whether the Missionary Jurisdiction of South Dakota should be considered as a *new* Missionary Jurisdiction, or as the continuance, with new bounds, of the Missionary Jurisdiction known formerly as the Missionary District of Niobrara;

which was adopted.

An invitation was received from the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, to the opening of the fifty-fourth annual exhibition; and the Secretary was ordered to express the thanks of the House.

The following Message was received:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 55.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this House, the work of the Church among the coloured people ought to be regarded as a common work of our whole body, and, as such, ought to receive a large share of the cares and benefaction of our Board of Missions, and the sympathy and the assistance of all Churchmen.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society be, and are hereby, requested to take this subject into immediate consideration, and to appropriate as large an amount as possible to the Missions of the Church to the coloured people in all parts of the country.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Order of the Day, being the nomination of a Presbyter to be Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, was called. The nominations were made the Order of the Day for to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

The Bishop of Central New York presented the Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter; and, on motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, the Letter as reported was adopted as the Pastoral Letter of this House.

The House took a recess until eight o'clock.

The House assembled after recess, and went into Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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TWENTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 25, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen;

which was adopted; and the Presiding Bishop appointed as such Committee, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Utah, and the Bishop of New Jersey.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, Message No. 50 of the House of Deputies, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 35.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 52 from the House of Deputies, communicating concurrence with the House of Bishops in their action proposing amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., together with certain amendments to the same in clauses [5.] and [6.], respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., Clauses [5.] and [6.], proposed in Message No. 52 from the House of Deputies.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 37.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 51 from the House of Deputies, proposing an amendment to Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the amendment of Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., communicated to this House in Message No. 51 from the House of Deputies, with the substitution of the word “deposed” for the word “degraded,” as this word, by previous action of this House, has been stricken out of the Canons.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 38.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution recommended in the Report of the Committee on the Translation of Bishops, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, That the phrase, “and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States,” be stricken out from the first paragraph of Clause [5.], of Section vii., of Canon 15, of Title I. (on p. 66), so that the paragraph as amended shall read, “Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops,”—respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the said clause be not stricken out.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.



The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report,  
viz. : —

REPORT No. 39.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred an amendment, proposed by the Bishop of Albany, to the third resolution recommended by the Committee on the Translation of Bishops, to wit:—

Any Bishop, Diocesan, Assistant, or Missionary, whose resignation of his Episcopal Jurisdiction of a Diocese has been consummated pursuant to this Section, may perform Episcopal acts at the request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Jurisdiction of this Church, within the limits of said Diocese or Jurisdiction, — respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

No Diocesan or Assistant Bishop, whose resignation of his Episcopal Jurisdiction, etc.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report,  
viz. : —

REPORT No. 36.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 49 from the House of Deputies, proposing an amendment to Title III., Canon 8, respecting the powers of federate Conventions or Councils, recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the amendment of Title III., Canon 8, communicated in Message No. 49 from the House of Deputies.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 56.

The House of Deputies herewith transmits to the House of Bishops the Testimonial in favour of the Rev. William D. Walker, Missionary Bishop-elect of North Dakota; the said Testimonial having been signed by a constitutional majority of both Orders of this House.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. William D. Walker, Minister of Calvary Chapel, New York, Missionary Bishop-elect of North Dakota, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary measures for such consecration;

which was adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 57.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concurs in the amendment contained in Message No. 61 from the House of Bishops, substituting for the name "Joint Committee on Emigration," "Joint Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants."

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 58.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention hold its session in Chicago.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House declined to concur in the foregoing Message, and asked a Committee of Conference; and the Bishop presiding appointed as such Committee, the Bishops of Western New York, Georgia, and Springfield.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 59.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 11, be amended, so as to read as follows:—

CANON 11.

*Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.*

Sec. i. [1.] When a Deacon or Priest, ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, desires to be admitted into the same as a Minister thereof, such person must give notice of his desire to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he may be resident, stating, first, whether he has applied for admission in any other Diocese; and, second, the grounds and reasons of his desire; and, third, furnishing authentic evidence of his ordination, and of his good standing in the Communion to which he has belonged.

[2.] With the aforesaid notice of desire must be presented a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, from personal knowledge of the applicant, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the Communion to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they shall also add what they know or believe of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

[3.] If, on receipt of such notice and certificate, the Bishop authorize further procedure, the applicant shall apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation; in order to which he must lay before the

Committee, *First*, his Letters of Orders, or other sufficient proof of his ordination;

*Second*, A testimonial from at least twelve persons, each of whom shall be either a member of the Communion from which he comes, or of the Protestant Episcopal Church, satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the applicant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and,

*Third*, A testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the applicant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

[4.] The Standing Committee, on receipt of such testimonials, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Committee consenting, proceed to recommend the applicant to the Bishop, for admission to the Ministry of this Church.

Sec. ii. When the applicant has been recommended by the Standing Committee, the Bishop, with the assistance of the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, shall examine him as to his theological acquirements, and especially on those points in which the Communion from which he comes differs from this Church; and the applicant shall also, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, the Bishop may receive him as a Minister of this Church:

*Provided*, That said subscription, and admission to the Ministry of this Church, shall not take place within twelve months from the date of his original application to the Bishop; unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to admit him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

Sec. iii. Should the applicant not be a citizen of the United States, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, with the notice of his desire to be admitted to the Ministry of this Church, satisfying evidence that he has, at that time, resided at least one year in the United States.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Messages were received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 60.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 69 from the House of Bishops, continuing the Joint Committee to report a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 61.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to a Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 70 from the House of Bishops; and appoints on its part, as such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Ringgold of Iowa, the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Beach of New York, Mr. Sheffey of Virginia, Mr. Minor of Connecticut, Mr. Whittle of Georgia.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 62.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in Message No. 68 from the House of Bishops, and requests a Committee of Conference; and names as the members of such Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Harison of Albany, the Rev. Dr. Langford of New Jersey, the Rev. Mr. Spaulding of California, Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, Mr. Davis of Massachusetts, Mr. Devereux of Ohio.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House consented to a Committee of Conference; and the Bishop presiding appointed on such Committee the Bishops of North Carolina and Fond du Lac.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 63.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the amount now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund be paid to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. The said Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall invest the funds thus paid over to it as a permanent fund for the support of the Missionary Episcopate; and it shall be Trustee for this purpose, as well as for the purpose of receiving any contributions heretofore or hereafter made, by bequest or otherwise, to this fund.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 3, Title III., entitled "Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund," be repealed.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 64.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., communicated by them in their Message No. 20.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adhered to its former action, and asked a Committee of Conference.

The Chair appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Kansas, Nebraska, and New Jersey.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 65.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], communicated in their message No. 24, with an amendment adding thereto the words following:—

*Provided*, That before Ordination he shall be a Candidate in such Diocese for not less than six months.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 66.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to the appointment of a Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 72 from the House of Bishops; and appoints on its part, as members of such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Lewin of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Bates of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Mr. Robert of Missouri, the Rev. Mr. Collins of Vermont, Mr. Hay of Pittsburgh, Mr. Stark of Connecticut, Mr. Fisher of Western New York, Mr. McMurrie of Pennsylvania.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Western New York offered a resolution that this House go into Council to-day at three o'clock, which was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee on Unfinished Business, to whom was referred Message No. 47 from the House of Deputies, containing resolution respecting adjournment of the Convention without day, respectfully report:—

It appears to the Committee of great importance, that action should be had upon the whole work of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, as presented in their report with the Book Annexed. The Convention assembled with the expectation of a perfected work, and the Church is looking with desire and some anxiety to such a result.

They therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops is not prepared to concur with the House of Deputies in its resolution that the General Convention adjourn without day on Friday, 26th inst., as communicated in Message No. 47; and asks a Committee of Conference; and names, on its part, the members of the Committee on Unfinished Business, the Bishops of Florida, Arkansas, and Quincy.

JOHN F. YOUNG.  
HENRY NILES PIERCE.  
ALEX. BURGESS.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Ohio presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee on Foreign Missions are not prepared to recommend at present the consecration of a Bishop for Cape Palmas and parts adjacent.

But after consultation with representatives of the Foreign Committee,

and the late Bishop of that Jurisdiction, they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops respectfully recommend to the presiding Bishop, that, in consultation with the Foreign Committee, he shall commission one of the Bishops of this Church to visit our Missions in Africa during the healthy season next ensuing (transferring to him temporary Jurisdiction), for the purpose of affording such Episcopal services as may be needed, and of inquiring into the state of the Missions, and other circumstances bearing on the future policy of the Foreign Committee; that he shall report in full to the Committee the facts, and his judgment thereon; and that the question of the consecration of a Bishop for that Jurisdiction shall be in abeyance until such time as the Foreign Committee shall have considered such report.

G. T. BEDELL, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Order of the Day being called, which was the nomination of a Missionary Bishop for Shanghai, —

The House proceeded to ballot; and it was found that a majority of the Bishops had made choice of the Rev. George Worthington, D.D., of the Diocese of Michigan.

On motion, this action was ordered to be communicated to the House of Deputies.

The House took a recess.

The following Message was received, viz.: —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 67.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Sections iii., Clause [1.], ix., [2.], xv., [2.], [3.], and xvii., [1.], with the amendment that such clauses do read as follows: —

Sec. iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to pre-side at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and, if a majority of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Sec. ix. [2.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee



of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election, to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

Sec. xv. [2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Assistant Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled; until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

[3.] No Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.

Sec. xvii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 68.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in their proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [3.].

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the proposed repeal of Title I., Canon 15, Section vi.

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon xvi., proposed by them in their Message No. 15.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 69.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section ii., [2.], and Section iii., [1.], communicated by them in their Message No. 54; with the amendment that the said Section iii., [1.], do read as follows: —

Sec. iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, except those whose resignation has been accepted; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop-elect of such consent; and on his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 70.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs in Message No. 65, from the House of Bishops, concerning the appointment of a Joint Committee to prepare a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Norwegian language; and

This House names as members of such Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Mr. Carstensen of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Mr. Stilson of Iowa, and Mr. Henry M. Braem of New York.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Western New York called up the Report of the Committee on Canons in reference to vestments.

On motion, the resolution, as reported, was amended so as to require the Committee to report at the next General Convention.

On motion, the resolution, as thus amended, was adopted; and the Bishop presiding appointed on the Committee on Vestments, the Bishops of Connecticut and Western New York, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

The Bishop of Western New York offered a resolution that a Committee be appointed to express the thanks of this House for the hospitality of Philadelphia; which was adopted.

The Bishop presiding appointed on the Committee, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of South Dakota, and the Bishop of West Virginia.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Jesse A. Spencer was appointed, on the part of this House, Custodian of the Standard Bible.

The Assistant Bishop of New York offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer of the General Convention for the necessary expenses of the Registrar;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to whom was referred the resolution of the Bishop of South Dakota, to consider, and report to this House, whether the Missionary Jurisdiction of South Dakota should be considered as a *new* Jurisdiction, or as the continuance, with new boundaries, of the Missionary Jurisdiction known formerly as "the Missionary District of Niobrara," beg leave to report, that, in their opinion, the former action of this House created no new Jurisdiction in Dakota, save that of North Dakota, but made the Jurisdiction of Niobrara coincident with that part of the Territory of Dakota south of the forty-sixth parallel of latitude, its name being changed to "South Dakota."

H. A. NEELY, *for the Committee.*

The subject of the resignation of the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas having been called up, the Bishop of Ohio, from the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions, offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops expresses its deep sympathy with the Right Rev. Dr. Penick, in the failure of his health in the process of his labors in Africa, having been brought nigh to death, and being incapacitated for continuing to discharge the duties of his office in that climate; and with

great regret assents to his request, and accepts his resignation of his Jurisdiction, to take effect at the close of the present session of the House;

which was adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 71.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions communicated to this House in their Message No. 41, proposing a Joint Commission upon the Law of Discipline, etc.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Message was laid on the table for the present.

The following communication was received, viz. : —

*To the Secretary of the House of Bishops.*

By direction of the One Hundredth Convention of the Diocese of New York, I forward to you the following document: —

WHEREAS, By legislative enactments of the different States of the Union, the laws of marriage and divorce are at variance, and, in many cases, in direct conflict, rendering a valid marriage in one State, invalid in another:

AND WHEREAS, In the interest of morality it is the duty of all Christians to aid in arresting this growing evil, which has become a reproach and scandal;

AND WHEREAS, It is eminently proper that this Convention should use its best efforts to accomplish this desirable result, inasmuch as one of the best safeguards of our Church and our country is found in the holiness of matrimony: therefore,

*Resolved*, That our Delegates to the next General Convention be requested to bring the subject of Marriage and Divorce Laws before that Convention, with the view of soliciting throughout the country such general attention to the subject as may lead to uniformity between our Church laws and the civil laws of the country, as is consistent with the law sanctioned and required by Christ.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the above resolutions be forwarded by the Secretary of this Convention, to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, of the General Convention of the Church.

FRANCIS LOBDELL,

*Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New York.*

NEW YORK, October 23, 1883.

On motion, the foregoing communication was referred to the Joint Committee on Marriage.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, from the Committee of Conference on Message No. 53 of the House of Deputies, relating to the printing of certain sections of Title II., Canon 9, the Committee was discharged.

On motion, the House went into Council.

The Council rose.

The Bishop of Georgia asked to be excused from attendance after to-morrow.

On motion, leave was granted.

The House took a recess until 8 p.m.

The House resumed its session after recess.

The Bishop of Western New York called up the Report of the Committee on Canons, No. 34, proposing certain changes in Title I., Canon 2, Section vii.

On motion, the resolutions recommended in the Report were adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 72.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies grants the request for a Committee of Conference (concerning the time of adjournment), contained in Message No. 80 from the House of Bishops; and appoints as such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Lewin of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Davies of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Farrington of Northern New Jersey, Mr. Nash of New York, Mr. Wilder of Minnesota, and Mr. Whittle of Georgia.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 73.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it non-concurs in Message No. 89 from the House of Bishops, relating to the proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2].

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 74.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to the appointment of a Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 78 from the House of Bishops, in reference to the place of meeting for the next General Convention; and names on its part, on such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the Rev. Dr. Sansom of Mississippi, the Rev. Dr. McVickar of Pennsylvania, Mr. Fish of New York, Mr. Judd of Illinois, Mr. King of Long Island.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 75.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to a Committee of Conference as requested in Message No. 73 from the House of Bishops, in reference to the proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi.; and names on its part, on such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Dix



of New York, the Rev. Dr. Drowne of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Huske of North Carolina, Mr. Hay of Pittsburgh, Mr. Bridge of Maine.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 76.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 74 from the House of Bishops; and appoints on its part, as members of the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, the Rev. Dr. Shipman of New York, the Rev. Mr. Tschiffely of Kentucky, Mr. Pierrepont of Long Island, Mr. Cornwall of Kentucky.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Florida, from the Committee of Conference on the time of adjournment, reported that the Committee had agreed upon nine o'clock to-morrow evening as the time for the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

On motion, the action of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of North Carolina presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee of Conference appointed to consider the disagreeing votes of the two Houses in regard to the amendment of Title I., Canon 10, "Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church," respectfully report that they have conferred together, and agreed to recommend to the two Houses the following action: —

That the House of Bishops recede from the amendments proposed by them to the action of the House of Deputies, and concur in such action with the following amendments: —

1. Strike out the words, "of his good character," in Section i., and insert "in good standing."

2. Insert, before the words "been unable" in Section i., the words, "for that reason."

3. Insert at the end of Section i. the words, "And in case of any Clergyman officiating under this proviso, the Minister, or other officer of the Church where he so officiates, shall immediately inform the Ecclesiastical Authority."

And that the House of Deputies concur in such amendments.

§ i. No Clergyman but those canonically resident in some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, shall be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, unless he shall have been licensed so to officiate by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. Such license shall not be granted by the Ecclesiastical Authority, but upon a letter commendatory from some Bishop in communion with this Church, or other sufficient evidence of his being in Holy Orders and in good standing.

*Provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to forbid the officiating of any Minister belonging to a Church in communion with this Church, who is personally known as such to the Minister, Church-warden, or other officer of the Church where he so officiates, and who, not having been within the limits of the Diocese more than thirty days, has, for that reason, been unable to obtain the required license. And in case of any Clergyman officiating under this proviso, the Minister, or other officer of the



Church where he so officiates, shall immediately inform the Ecclesiastical Authority.

On motion, the House did not concur in the foregoing Report.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report,  
viz. : —

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the subject matter of the disagreement of the two Houses as to the amendment of Title II., Canon 1, respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring. That an additional Section, to be numbered Section v., be added to Title II., Canon 1, to read as follows : —

Sec. v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted in any Court of Record of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any Court of Record in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS,

*Chairman of Committee on part of House of Bishops.*

A. A. WATSON,

*Chairman of Committee on part of House of Deputies.*

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

On motion, the report on the Sewanee Conference was made the Order for the Day for to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

The Bishop of Albany, from the Committee of Conference on a place for the next General Convention, reported that the Committee had agreed on Chicago as the place.

On motion, the action of the Committee as reported was adopted.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a deputation consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to attend the next Provincial Synod of Canada, to bear the greetings of this Church, and to promote the joint interests of the two Churches, the Presiding Bishop being allowed to fill all vacancies in the Deputation occurring after its appointment;

which was adopted.

The Bishop presiding appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishops of North Carolina and Michigan.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered a resolution that the Bishop of Ohio be nominated to visit England, to preach the Sermon before the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, in response

to the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury; which was unanimously adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Observance of the Centennial be continued;

which was adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 77.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

Sec. ii. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:—

1. That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

2. That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own; and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission and their consent thereto.

3. That before remitting such sentence he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry, to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

4. That in case such person was deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its Communion, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay-communion with this Church for one year next preceding his application for such remission; and

5. That, in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 78.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That it has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference in regard to the amendment of Title I., Canon 10, entitled, *Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church*.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this House be instructed to communicate to the House of Deputies the information that this House has refused to adopt the report of the Committee of Conference proposing certain amendments to Title I., Canon 10, referred to in Message No. 78 of the House of Deputies, on the ground of the lack of certain restrictive provisions therein deemed necessary by this House;

which was adopted.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 79.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the preparation and publication of a version of the Book of Common Prayer, or portions thereof, in the Swedish tongue, be referred to the Joint Committee already appointed to report a version of the Prayer Book in the Norwegian tongue.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 80.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution, appended to the Report of the Committee of Conference:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That an additional Section, to be numbered Section v., be added to Title II., Canon 1, to read as follows:—

§ v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted, in any Court of Record, of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any Court of Record in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he Canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was concurred in.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## TWENTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 26, 1883.

The House met, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The House was bidden to prayer.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 82.

The House of Deputies herewith transmits to the House of Bishops the Testimonials in favor of the Rev. George Worthington, S.T.D., Missionary Bishop-elect of Shanghai.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That this House consents to the consecration of the Rev. George Worthington, S.T.D., as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take order for such consecration.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. : —

REPORT No. 40.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 77 from the House of Deputies, proposing amendments to Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., respectfully report, that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit: —

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the action communicated in Message No. 77 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that this House has already taken action in the premises; and this House respectfully asks for a Committee of Conference on the subject-matter of the said Message.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted; and the Chair appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Easton and Massachusetts.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. : —

REPORT No. 41.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 59 from the House of Deputies, proposing amendments to Title I., Canon 11, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit: —

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the action communicated in Message No. 59 from the House of Deputies, on the ground that the many important changes proposed make it impossible that the subject-matter should receive due consideration on this last day of the session.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. : —

REPORT No. 42.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 65 from the House of Deputies, proposing further amendment to the amendment

adopted by this House to Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That this House does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 65 from the House of Deputies.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution as above was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 43.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 63 from the House of Deputies, proposing the repeal of Title III., Canon 3, "Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund," respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 63 from the House of Deputies.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the above resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report,  
viz.:—

REPORT No. 44.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 69 from the House of Deputies, proposing further amendment to amendments adopted by this House to Title I., Canon 15, Section ii., [2.], and iii., [1.], respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit.:—

*Resolved*, That this House does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 69 from the House of Deputies, amending Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., [1.].

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report,  
viz.:—

REPORT No. 46.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 67 from the House of Deputies, proposing further amendment of legislation already adopted by this House with reference to Title I., Canon 15, Sections iii., [1.], ix. [2.], xv. [2.], [3.], xvii. [1.], respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That this House does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 67 from the House of Deputies, amending Title I., Canon 15, Sections iii., [1.], ix. [2.], xv. [2.], [3.], and xvii. [1.].

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report:—

## REPORT No. 47.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred certain resolutions and papers respecting the action taken at the Sewanee Conference of Bishops, Clergy, and Laity, respecting the relations of the Church to the coloured people, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops calls especial attention to the resolutions referred to the General Convention by the Sewanee Conference in regard to the proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], which clause the House of Bishops has amended as suggested by the Sewanee Conference in such manner as will meet the indisputable necessity of a change in the language of this Canon, for the carrying-on of the work among the coloured people in the South.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops asks for a Committee of Conference on the non-concurrence of the House of Deputies with their amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], as communicated to the House of Deputies in Message from the House of Bishops No. 39.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Chair appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishops of South Carolina, North Carolina, and Northern New Jersey.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report:—

## REPORT No. 48.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 50 from the House of Deputies, transmitting a report of the Committee on Canons of the House of Deputies respecting the duties of the Treasurer of the General Convention, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That Message No. 50 from the House of Deputies be referred to a Joint Committee to be created, the House of Deputies concurring, to consider, and report at the next Convention, on the whole subject of the relations of the two Houses of the General Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution was adopted; and the Chair appointed, as members of such Joint Committee, the Bishops of Ohio, Western New York, Central Pennsylvania, and Quincy.

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee on Canons, having considered the papers concerning the spiritual condition and wants of the coloured people of the South, recommend the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following Canon be enacted, to be numbered Canon 3, Title III., viz.:—

## CANON 3.

*Of Missionary Organizations within constituted Episcopal Jurisdictions.*

§ i. In any Diocese containing a large number of persons, for whom, by reason of peculiarity of race or language, it is expedient to make special



religious provision, it shall be lawful for the Bishop and Convention of the same to constitute such population into a special Missionary organization under the charge of the Bishop.

§ ii. When such special Missionary organization shall have been constituted in any Diocese, the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, may annually appoint two or more Presbyters, and two or more Laymen, Communicants of this Church and members of the Diocese, as an Executive Committee to act as an Advisory Council to the Bishop in all matters pertaining to the interests of said Missionary organization; and specially it shall be the duty of said Executive Committee to aid the Bishop in the establishment of Missions and Schools, by seeking out suitable candidates for the Ministry, and providing for their maintenance during candidateship, and by the performance of such other duties as the Bishop shall assign. Such Committee shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

§ iii. The Bishop, to aid him in the superintendence of such Missionary organizations, may, as expediency shall suggest, appoint one or more Presbyters, who shall perform such duties as the Bishop may assign, and by authority of the Bishop may convene the Clergy and Laity of said Missionary organization in Convocation for the purpose of furthering its work.

§ iv. Every Bishop within whose Diocese the aforesaid Missionary organization may be constituted, if assisted or supported by the Board of Missions of the Church in the United States, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state of the Church in said Missionary organization, and also shall make a report of the same once a year to the Board of Managers.

§ v. Congregations organized under the provisions of this Canon, and Ministers exercising their functions within such special Missionary organizations, may be received into union with the Convention of the Diocese on such terms and by such process as are provided by the said Diocesan Convention.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Canon as proposed was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Joint Committee on Nomination of Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy, etc., beg leave to report the following nominations:—

The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.; the Right Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D.; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D.; the Rev. William A. Snively, D.D.; Mr. Stephen P. Nash; Mr. Lloyd W. Wells; Mr. William Alexander Smith.

H. A. NEELY.  
DANIEL S. TUTTLE.  
JOHN SCARBOROUGH.  
J. S. SHIPMAN.  
L. P. TSCHIFFELY.  
W. C. PIERREPONT.  
WM. CORNWALL.

On motion, the nominations as above were agreed to.

The Bishop of Kansas presented the following Report, viz. :—

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

The Committee of Conference to whom was referred the subject of the retirement of Bishops have agreed upon a form to be presented to both Houses, as a substitute for any Canons previously offered or recommended

upon the subject. Your Committee therefore, in behalf of the Conference Committee, offer to this House the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following paragraph be added to clause [4.] of Section xvi., of Canon 15, of Title I.:—

Any Bishop whose resignation, by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

THOMAS H. VAIL,

*Chairman, in behalf of the Committee.*

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee on Domestic Missions, having considered the Reports presented by the Missionary Bishops, desire to express, in a brief final Report, the satisfaction which they have found in observing in those Reports manifold evidences of encouraging progress made in each of the Missionary Jurisdictions. The field covered by these Jurisdictions presents a great variety of conditions, physical, social, and moral. Some of the physical conditions are becoming rapidly assimilated by the completion of an extensive railway system in the Western Territories. But the great diversity of soil and climate in this vast region will always have, as it has now, a determining influence upon the industries in its various sections, and consequently upon the growth and character of the population.

Nevada, rich in its hidden treasures of silver, but barren on the surface, will probably never be the home of a large or stable population; and Missionary work there must always be work among miners. On the other hand, in Dakota, Montana, and Washington Territories, are immense areas of arable land, which await the hand of the agriculturist, and offer sustenance for millions of families. Wyoming, with varied, undeveloped resources, is at present one immense pasture-field; and he who there seeks his brethren, to minister unto them in spiritual things, must seek them as Joseph sought his brethren, from Hebron to Shechem, and from Shechem to Dothan,—as they lead on their flocks and herds over the broad plains, under the open skies. In Utah, a strange but predominant social and religious organization confronts the Minister of Christ, and presents many peculiar and difficult problems. In Niobrara, another race and language make our work an essentially Foreign Missionary work. And so in Colorado, Oregon, New Mexico, distinctive conditions require, for the successful prosecution of the cause which we have in hand, the use of widely different instrumentalities: yet so readily have our labourers in these fields adapted themselves to their various conditions, and availed themselves of appropriate agencies, that everywhere a notable advance can be reported. Strong foundations have been laid, and shapely spiritual structures are rising upon them. All that is lacking for more rapid progress is a fuller interest throughout the Church in these undertakings,—an interest corresponding to the unswerving faithfulness and the indefatigable zeal of the Missionary Bishops and their co-workers, and that more generous support which such an interest would surely afford.

There has been a continuous increase in the Missionary offerings of the Church during the past thirty years; and yet it is only a comparatively small number now of Communicants who remember and faithfully meet their responsibility in the sustentation of Missionary work, at home or abroad.

HENRY A. NEELY, *for the Committee on Domestic Missions.*

The Bishop of Florida presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report, that, upon a careful examination of the last Journal of the House of Bishops, they find but few matters that were referred to Committees of this House, or Joint Committees of both Houses, to report to this Convention, which have not been acted upon.

Of these are a Joint Committee on Marriage with Relatives (p. 273);

Joint Committee on the Translation of the Prayer Book into the Italian Language (p. 283);

Committee on facilitating the formation of Dioceses out of Missionary Jurisdictions (p. 292);

Committee on Testimonials (p. 287).

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. YOUNG, *Chairman.*

H. N. PEIRCE.

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, it was ordered that the business intrusted to the Joint Committee on Marriage with Relatives, in 1880, be now referred to the Joint Committee on the whole subject of Marriage.

The Bishops of Connecticut and Albany having asked to be excused from further service on the Mexican Commission of the House of Bishops, —

On motion, the House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion, the House refused to excuse the Bishops of Connecticut and Albany from service on the Mexican Commission.

The House took a recess.

The Bishop of Utah offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a meeting of the Board of Missions be convened at 8 P.M. this day, for the sole purpose of approving the Minutes and perfecting the record of the Board;

which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Committee of Conference on Message No. 77 of the House of Bishops was discharged.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the House concurred in Message No. 77 of the House of Deputies.

The Bishop of West Virginia presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Special Committee appointed to express the thanks of this House for the hospitality of Philadelphia, beg leave to report the following resolutions : —

*Resolved*, That this House very gratefully acknowledges the hospitable attentions it has received during its sessions, from the Committee of Ar-

rangements; the Committee of Hospitalities, consisting of Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; from the Rector, the Rev. Dr. McVickar, and the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity; and from the Bishop of Pennsylvania, to whose ability, thoughtfulness, and unwearied courtesy, the Bishops are largely indebted for their comfort and enjoyment while in Philadelphia.

*Resolved*, That this House is profoundly impressed by the evidences of the Divine blessing which have marked this Centennial Convention, in the harmony and brotherly kindness which have been such signal characteristics of its deliberations; believing that the prayers of the Church have been answered in this respect, and that, for these and other tokens of God's favor, our humble acknowledgments are justly due.

A. CLEVELAND COXE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolutions were adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Tennessee, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee, to report in 1886, be appointed to prepare suitable Forms and Certificates for the various occasions on which a common form is appropriate to be used in the Church.

The Chair appointed as such Committee, the Bishops of Connecticut, Albany, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Translation of the Prayer Book into the Italian language be continued; which was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed under the fifth of the Standing Orders, and that to them be given authority to cause to be entered upon the Journal of the General Convention the whole of the Journal of the House of Bishops;

which was adopted; and the Bishop presiding appointed on the Committee the Bishops of Iowa and Quincy, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

The following Message was received : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 84.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs in Message No. 91 from the House of Bishops, in reference to the Joint Committee on the observance of the Centennial.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 85.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 90, appointing a Deputation of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, to attend the next Provincial Synod of Canada. And it appoints, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the Rev. Mr. Converse of Massachusetts, Mr. Abert of Maryland, Mr. Nelson of Alabama.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 86.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House adopts the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 87.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment proposed by them, in their Message No. 84, to the amendment of Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., communicated to them in House of Deputies' Message No. 51.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 89.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention earnestly recommend the devotion, by the Ministers of this Church, of a part of the alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion, to the support of disabled Clergymen, and the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 91.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to the appointment of a Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 92 from the House of Bishops; and names as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Bates of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Knight of Central Pennsylvania, and Mr. Fisher of Western New York.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —



OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 93.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it accepts the request for a Committee of Conference, contained in Message No. 99 from the House of Bishops, touching proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.]; and appoints as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Missouri, the Rev. Dr. Goodrich of Central New York, the Rev. Mr. Girault of Louisiana, Mr. Harrison of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Wilkinson of Quincy.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 94.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 98 from the House of Bishops, and appoints as members on its part, of the Joint Committee proposed therein, the Rev. Dr. Dix of New York, the Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Lewin of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Rulison of Ohio, Mr. Edmunds of Vermont, Mr. Nash of New York, and Mr. Hay of Pittsburgh.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 97.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution by a constitutional majority of both Orders: —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 4 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "and" in the third line of said Article, and inserting in place thereof the words following: —

"*Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and

"*Provided* further, That, when a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a new Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or, at his election, remain the Bishop of that part of such Jurisdiction not included in the new Diocese;" and leaving the residue of the said Article to stand as an independent paragraph; and that the same be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolution transmitted in the above Message.

The Bishop of South Carolina, from the Committee of Conference on Message No. 99 from this House, reported that the Committee had agreed upon recommending the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], be amended so as to read, after the word "Church," as follows: "Certifying that, in their opinion, the Postulant possesses such strength of understanding, soundness of judgment, prudence, and aptitude to teach, as qualify him for usefulness in the Sacred Ministry; and adding any other reason for dispensation which they may believe to exist."

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.



The Bishop of Michigan presented the following despatch : —

To BISHOP HARRIS.

I believe it to be my duty in service to God and his Church to decline the election as Bishop to China. Please inform the House of Bishops.

GEORGE WORTHINGTON.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the telegram from the Bishop-elect of Shanghai, laid before the House by the Bishop of Michigan, be referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions, with the request that they report promptly what course of action on the part of this House is advisable;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Ohio presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on Foreign Missions, to whom was referred a telegram received by the Bishop of Michigan from the Bishop-elect of Shanghai in China, believing that he has not been sufficiently informed as to the conditions of the case, present the following resolutions : —

1. That a Committee of two Bishops be appointed to confer with the Bishop-elect of Shanghai.

2. That, should necessity arise, it shall be suggested to the Presiding Bishop, in consultation with the Foreign Committee, to appoint one of the Bishops of this Church to visit the Mission in China (giving him temporary Jurisdiction), to fulfil such Episcopal offices as may be needed, to set in order the things that are wanting, and to report the result of his observations to the Foreign Committee for their subsequent action.

G. T. BEDELL.  
W. B. W. HOWE.  
W. H. HARE.  
T. W. DUDLEY.

On motion, the foregoing resolutions were adopted; and the Chair appointed the Bishop of Central New York and the Bishop of South Dakota on the Committee referred to.

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That so much of the Rules of Order as requires a Chairman to be elected on the first day of the session, be suspended; and that the House do now proceed to the election of a Chairman;

which was adopted.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Chairman; and on counting the votes, the Bishop of Connecticut was declared to be elected, and was introduced, by the Bishop presiding, to the House, as its Chairman.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 81.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., [7.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint a Standing Committee, consisting of not less than two nor more than five Presbyters, resident within his Jurisdiction, and, if he shall find it practicable and advisable, of an equal number of Lay-communicants; which Standing Committee shall have, so far as the circumstances of the Jurisdiction permit, the powers and duties provided for by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for the government of such Jurisdiction. In case of the absence of the Bishop from his Jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, said Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, Articles III., IV., and VIII., be amended so as to read as follows:—

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Missions, of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, and the members for the time being of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to the said House of Deputies, and the members of the Board of Managers, as hereinafter described. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the session of the General Convention, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand.

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Board of Managers, comprising all the Bishops, the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed by the Board of Missions or by the Board of Managers, and fifteen Presbyters and fifteen Laymen, to be appointed by the Board of Missions at every triennial meeting of the General Convention, who shall have the management of the General Missions of this Church, and shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. Eight Clerical members and eight Lay members shall constitute a quorum. But, whenever demanded by three members, a majority of the Bishops present, and a majority of the Clerical members present, and a majority of the Lay members present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board.

This Board of Managers shall, when the Board of Missions is not in session, exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Board of Managers shall report to the Board of Missions on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention.

But nothing herein contained shall affect the rights of any surviving life-members of the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those especially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public missionary meetings, to be held at the same time and place as the General Convention, and at such other times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send one Clerical and one Lay Delegate.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

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## MESSAGE No. 88.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], with the amendment that such clause do read as follows:—

[4.] No Diocesan or Assistant Bishop whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

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## MESSAGE No. 90.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments to the Canons communicated in their Message No. 64.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject of the use of the word "degrade" in the Canons be postponed to the next General Convention.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz.:—

## REPORT No. 49.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 81 from the House of Deputies, communicating a proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., [7.], respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 81 from the House of Deputies, so far as the amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., [7.], is concerned.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa presented the following Report, viz.:—

## REPORT No. 50.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 81 from the House of Deputies, proposing changes in Title III., Canon 9, Articles

III., IV., and VIII., respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 81 from the House of Deputies, touching amendments to Arts. III., IV., and VIII., of Canon 9, of Title III.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 51.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 88 from the House of Deputies, communicating a further amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], as amended by action of this House, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, That this House does concur in the action communicated in Message No. 88 from the House of Deputies, amending Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.].

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 52.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of inquiry as to the propriety of amending Title I., Canon 24, Of the Tenure of Church Property, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the subject of amendment of Canon 24, Title I., be, and the same is hereby, referred to the Joint Commission on Church Incorporations and the Tenure of Church Property, with the request that the Commission report to the next General Convention such amendments to said Canon as it deems advisable.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

On motion, the Commission on the Revision of the Course of Theological Study was continued.

The Bishop of Ohio presented the following :—

*Resolved*, That the order for the closing services of this Convention be as follows, viz. :—

Opening Sentence; Lord's Prayer and Versicles; Psalter, Psalms 84, 133; Lesson, Isaiah 61; Creed; Prayer for Church Militant; The Grace; Hymn 202; Pastoral Letter; Gloria in Excelsis; Prayer and Benediction;

which, on motion, was adopted.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolution :—

WHEREAS, This Church hath always declared plainly, in her Marriage Service, that, if any persons are joined together in matrimony otherwise than as God's Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful; and

WHEREAS, God's Word, in pointing out those who are not to be joined together because of nearness of kin, enumerates cases of both consanguinity and affinity; and

WHEREAS, Both consanguinity and affinity within the Scriptural degrees have been recognized in all ages, and in all parts of the Church, as impediments rendering all marriages between persons so related unlawful: therefore

*Resolved*, That the same law has always been implicitly embodied in the Marriage Office of the Church, and ought to be explicitly obeyed by all her children;

which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Marriage.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That, at the close of the afternoon sitting, the House take a recess till eight o'clock;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following Report, viz. :—

#### REPORT No. 53.

The Committee on Canons report, that, in accordance with the requisition of Title IV., Canon 2, Section ii., requiring the Committee to appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, etc., they have appointed as their committee the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Iowa.

On behalf of the Committee.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*.

The House took a recess till eight o'clock.

The House assembled after recess.

The House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session; and the following resolution was ordered to be entered on the Minutes, and communicated to the Bishops named, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That the Bishops of Minnesota and Illinois, and the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, be requested to visit Mexico, and to see if it be practicable to procure some peaceful and final settlement of the difficulties at present existing in that branch of the Church, to report to the Mexican Commission.

On motion, it was ordered that the House re-assemble, after the reading of the Pastoral Letter, for action on the Minutes.

The following Messages were received :—

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MESSAGE No. 101.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it refuses to accept the amendment to Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2], proposed by the Committee of Conference on Message No. 39 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

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MESSAGE No. 102.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 113 from the House of Bishops, concerning the continuing of the Joint Committee on the translation of the Prayer Book into the Italian language.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

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MESSAGE No. 103.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That information of the appointment, by the Committee on Canons of this House, of the Revs. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., and Francis Harison, D.D., under the provisions of Title IV., Canon 2, be sent to the House of Bishops.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committees of the two Houses, appointed to certify the changes in the Canons, be authorized to examine, and if necessary to amend, the marginal notes appended to the Canons in the printed Digest.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Right Rev. the Historiographer of this Church be requested to revise the Note appended to the Constitution in the printed copies, so as to set forth more completely the various amendments that have been made in it since its adoption.

Attest: HENRY ANSTICE, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolutions transmitted in the foregoing Message.

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MESSAGE No. 105.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in its Message No. 110, appointing a meeting of the Board of Missions this evening, with the amendment that the hour be five minutes before nine.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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MESSAGE No. 106.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in its Message No. 115, referring the subject of the amendment of Canon 24, Title I., to the Joint Commission on Church Incorporations and the Tenure of Church Property, to report to the next General Convention.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

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MESSAGE No. 107.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in Message No. 114 from that House, relating to Postulants, etc.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.



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## MESSAGE No. 108.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 113 from the House of Bishops, continuing the Joint Committee on the Translation of the Prayer Book into the Italian language.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 110.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies do concur in the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], proposed in Message No. 100 from the House of Bishops.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

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## MESSAGE No. 111.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it non-concurs with the House of Bishops in the enactment of Canon communicated in their Message No. 101.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

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## MESSAGE No. 112.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon 2, proposed in their Message No. 102, for the reason that there is not sufficient time to give due consideration to the subject.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject be referred for action to the next General Convention.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the second resolution transmitted in the foregoing Message.

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## MESSAGE No. 113.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in the amendments to Title II., Canons 6 and 11, contained in Message No. 63 from the House of Bishops, for the reason, that, at this period of the session, the consideration due to their importance cannot be given; and they therefore recommend that the subject be postponed to the next General Convention.

Attest:

HENRY ANSTICE, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the subject was referred accordingly.

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## MESSAGE No. 115.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That two additional members, on the part of this House, be appointed on the Joint Committee to report a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language; and it

names, as such additional members, the Rev. Dr. Harwood of Connecticut and the Rev. Johannes Rockstroh of Albany.

Attest: HENRY ANSTICE, *Acting Secretary.*

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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MESSAGE No. 116.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Missions meet at 8.20 this evening.

HENRY ANSTICE, *Acting Secretary.*

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the House of Deputies that this House has completed its business, has nothing further to communicate to the House of Deputies, and is ready to adjourn after the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

A Committee from the House of Deputies was introduced, who announced that that House, having now completed its business, was ready to attend on the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

The House proceeded to the Church of the Holy Trinity, and attended Divine Service, after which the Pastoral Letter (see Supplement I.) of this House was publicly read by the Bishop of Central New York.

After which, the Bishop of Ohio offered the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Secretary and his Assistant for the conspicuous efficiency, fidelity, and acceptableness of their services under circumstances of more than usual difficulty;

which was adopted.

The Minutes were then read and approved; and, after the Benediction, the House adjourned, *sine die*.

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop presiding in the House of Bishops.*

Attest:

WILLIAM TATLOCK,

*Secretary of the House of Bishops.*

GEO. FRANCIS NELSON,

*Assistant Secretary.*

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<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Bryce, on the sixth day of the session.

<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Corning, on the sixth day of the session.

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	" Edward S. Martin, <sup>1</sup> <i>Seaford.</i>

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" Francis W. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> <i>Pocomoke City, Md.</i>	

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Ridgely, on the ninth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Barton, on the twentieth day of the session.



## DIOCESE OF FLORIDA.

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" William E. Wright, <i>Wausau, Wis.</i>	" John P. Taggart, <i>Ripon, Wis.</i>

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" R. F. Sweet, <i>Freeport.</i>	" William M. Tilden, <i>Chicago.</i>
" J. H. Knowles, <i>Chicago.</i>	" Melville W. Fuller, <i>Chicago.</i>
	" F. H. Winston, <sup>1</sup> <i>Chicago.</i>

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" John J. Faudé, <i>Michigan City.</i>	" Isaac H. Kiersted, <i>Indianapolis.</i>
	" David E. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> <i>Indianapolis.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Fuller, on the ninth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Hendricks, on the tenth day of the session.

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The Rev. Samuel Ringgold, D.D., <i>Cedar Rapids.</i>	Mr. Sampson C. Bever, <i>Cedar Rapids.</i>
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" John Bennett, <sup>1</sup> <i>Wyandotte.</i>	

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" Edmund T. Perkins, D.D., <i>Louisville.</i>	" Grant Green, <i>Frankfort.</i>
" Louis P. Tschiffely, <i>Louisville.</i>	" Richard A. Robinson, <i>Louisville.</i>

## DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

The Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>
" Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	" Jasper W. Gilbert, <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>
" T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., <i>Garden City, N. Y.</i>	" John A. King, <i>Little Neck, N. Y.</i>
" William A. Snively, D.D., <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	" William Nicoll, <i>Islip, N. Y.</i>

## DIOCESE OF LOUISIANA.

The Rev. John Francis Girault, <i>New Orleans.</i>	Mr. James McConnell, <i>New Orleans.</i>
" John Percival, D.D., <i>New Orleans.</i>	" Joseph P. Hornor, <i>New Orleans.</i>
" W. T. Dickenson Dalzell, <i>D.D., Shreveport.</i>	" H. C. Minor, <i>Houma.</i>
" Henry Harcourt Waters, <i>New Orleans.</i>	" Carleton Hunt, <i>New Orleans.</i>
" H. C. Duncan, <sup>2</sup> <i>Alexandria.</i>	

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Barry, on the sixth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of Rev. Mr. Waters, on the sixteenth day of the session.

## DIOCESE OF MAINE.

The Rev. William H. Washburn, <i>Lewiston.</i>	Mr. James Bridge, <i>Augusta.</i>
" Charles S. Leffingwell, <i>Bar Harbour.</i>	" Henry Ingalls, <i>Wiscasset.</i>
" Samuel Upjohn, <i>Augusta.</i>	" Robert H. Gardiner, <i>Gardiner.</i>
" William Allen Fiske, LL.D., <i>Bangor.</i>	" J. H. McMullen, <i>Portland.</i>

## DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

The Rev. Orlando Hutton, D.D., <i>Brookville.</i>	Mr. Reverdy Johnson, <i>Baltimore.</i>
" John H. Elliott, S.T.D., <i>Washington, D.C.</i>	" Charles Abert, <i>Washington, D.C.</i>
" George Leeds, D.D., <i>Baltimore.</i>	" William A. Stewart, <i>Baltimore.</i>
" Meyer Lewin, D.D., <i>Upper Marlborough.</i>	" Skipwith Wilmer, <i>Baltimore.</i>

## DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. George S. Converse, <i>(Roxbury) Boston.</i>	Mr. George C. Shattuck, M.D., <i>Boston.</i>
" Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., <i>Boston.</i>	" Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D., <i>Boston.</i>
" William R. Huntington, <i>D.D., Worcester.</i>	" Edmund H. Bennett, LL.D., <i>Taunton.</i>
" Phillips Brooks, D.D., <i>Boston.</i>	" Edward L. Davis, <i>Worcester.</i>

## DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN.

The Rev. George Worthington, <i>S.T.D., Detroit.</i>	Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, <i>Detroit.</i>
" Chauncy B. Brewster, <i>Detroit.</i>	" Theodore H. Eaton, <i>Detroit.</i>
" Rufus W. Clark, jun., <i>Detroit.</i>	" John S. Minor, <i>Alpena.</i>
" Wyllys Hall, D.D., <i>Ann Arbor.</i>	" James E. Pittman, <i>Detroit.</i>

## DIOCESE OF MINNESOTA.

The Rev. David B. Knickerbacker, <i>D.D., Minneapolis.</i>	Mr. Isaac Atwater, <i>Minneapolis.</i>
" George W. Watson, D.D., <i>Red Wing.</i>	" E. T. Wilder, <i>Red Wing.</i>
" Elisha S. Thomas, <i>St. Paul.</i>	" William Dawson, <i>St. Paul.</i>
" Fletcher J. Hawley, D.D., <i>Brainerd.</i>	" William R. Merriam, <i>St. Paul.</i>
" Mahlon N. Gilbert, <sup>1</sup> <i>St. Paul.</i>	

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Knickerbacker, on the seventh day of the session.

## DIOCESE OF MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D., <i>Vicksburg.</i>	Mr. Peter P. Bailey, <i>Jackson.</i>
" Alexander Marks, <i>Natchez.</i>	" H. F. Simrall, <i>Vicksburg.</i>
" William Munford, <i>Columbus.</i>	" E. D. Farrar, <i>Vicksburg.</i>
" Nowell Logan, <i>Port Gibson.</i>	" Murray F. Smith, <i>Vicksburg.</i>

## DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

The Rev. John Fulton, D.D., <i>St. Louis.</i>	Mr. Frank Carter, <i>St. Louis.</i>
" James Runcie, D.D., <i>St. Joseph.</i>	" Western Bascome, <i>St. Louis.</i>
" P. G. Robert, <i>St. Louis.</i>	" John R. Triplett, <i>St. Louis.</i>
" Ethelbert Talbot, <i>Macon City.</i>	" E. H. Lycett, <i>Kirkwood.</i>

## DIOCESE OF NEBRASKA.

The Rev. Frank R. Millspaugh, <i>Omaha.</i>	Mr. James M. Woolworth, LL.D., <i>Omaha.</i>
" Robert Doherty, <i>Omaha.</i>	" Julian Metcalf, <i>Nebraska City.</i>
" Henry C. Shaw, <i>Hastings.</i>	" Guy A. Brown, <i>Lincoln.</i>
" John McNamara, D.D., <i>Nebraska City.</i>	" Hugh G. Clarke, <i>Omaha.</i>

## DIOCESE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Henry A. Coit, D.D., <i>Concord.</i>	Mr. George L. Balcom, <i>Claremont.</i>
" Lorenzo Sears, <i>Manchester.</i>	" Ai B. Thompson, <i>Concord.</i>
" William B. T. Smith, <i>Claremont.</i>	" S. G. Griffin, <i>Keene.</i>
" Daniel C. Roberts, <i>Concord.</i>	" Charles F. Richardson, <i>Hanover.</i>
" E. A. Renouf, <sup>1</sup> <i>Keene.</i>	
" Jacob LeRoy, <sup>2</sup> <i>Nashua.</i>	

## DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, D.D., <i>Camden.</i>	Mr. George C. Hance, <i>49 Broadway, New York City.</i>
" Benjamin Franklin, D.D., <i>Shrewsbury.</i>	" Samuel K. Wilson, <i>Trenton.</i>
" George Morgan Hills, D.D., <i>Burlington.</i>	" J. Howard Pugh, M.D., <i>Burlington.</i>
" William S. Langford, D.D., <i>Elizabeth.</i>	" Richard S. Conover, <i>South Amboy.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Sears, on the ninth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Coit, on the sixteenth day of the session.

## DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., <i>New York.</i>	Mr. Hamilton Fish, LL.D., <i>New York.</i>
" Alfred B. Beach, D.D., <i>New York.</i>	" Stephen P. Nash, <i>New York.</i>
" Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., <i>New York.</i>	" James Emott, <i>New York.</i>
" J. S. Shipman, D.D., LL.D., <i>New York.</i>	" Charles Tracy, <i>New York.</i>

## DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. A. A. Watson, D.D., <i>Wilmington.</i>	Mr. A. J. DeRosset, M.D., <i>Wilmington.</i>
" N. C. Hughes, <i>Chocowinity.</i>	" John Hughes, <i>New Berne.</i>
" Joseph C. Huske, D.D., <i>Fayetteville.</i>	" John S. Henderson, <i>Salisbury.</i>
" M. M. Marshall, D.D., <i>Raleigh.</i>	" John W. Atkinson, <i>Wilmington.</i>

## DIOCESE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D., <i>Jersey City, N.J.</i>	Mr. Henry Meigs, <i>Bergen Point, N.J.</i>
" William G. Farrington, D.D., <i>Bloomfield, N.J.</i>	" Cortlandt Parker, <i>Newark, N.J.</i>
" J. Nicholas Stansbury, <i>Newark, N.J.</i>	" Alfred Mills, <i>Morristown, N.J.</i>
" William H. Moffett, <i>Newton, N.J.</i>	" William C. Hicks, <i>Summit, N.J.</i>

## DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D.D., <i>Cleveland.</i>	Mr. Augustus H. Moss, <i>Sandusky.</i>
" William B. Bodine, D.D., <i>Gambier.</i>	" John H. Devereux, <i>Cleveland.</i>
" Edward R. Atwill, D.D., <i>Toledo.</i>	" Samuel L. Mather, <i>Cleveland.</i>
" Louis S. Osborne, <i>Sandusky.</i>	" Columbus Delano, LL.D., <i>Mount Vernon.</i>
	" Daniel L. King, <sup>1</sup> <i>Akron.</i>

## DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Rev. George Emlen Hare, D.D., LL.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	Mr. George L. Harrison, LL.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>
" Daniel R. Goodwin, D.D., LL.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	" Lemuel Coffin, <i>Philadelphia.</i>
" Thomas F. Davies, D.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	" Richard C. McMurtrie, <i>Philadelphia.</i>
" William Nelson McVickar, D.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	" J. Vaughan Merrick, <i>(Roxborough) Philadelphia.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Mather, on the twentieth day of the session.

## DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH.

The Rev. Henry Purdon, D.D., <i>Titusville, Penn.</i>	Mr. Malcolm Hay, <i>Pittsburgh, Penn.</i>
" Boyd Vincent, <i>Pittsburgh, Penn.</i>	" John H. Shoenberger, <i>New York City.</i>
" Samuel Earp, Ph.D., <i>Washington, Penn.</i>	" Pearson Church, <i>Meadville, Penn.</i>
" G. A. Carstensen, <i>Erie, Penn.</i>	" W. W. Smith, <i>Washington, Penn.</i>
" Robert Meech, <sup>1</sup> <i>Alleghany City, Penn.</i>	

## DIOCESE OF QUINCY.

The Rev. Charles J. Shrimpton, <i>Galesburg, Ill.</i>	Mr. Henry A. Williamson, <i>Quincy, Ill.</i>
" E. H. Rudd, <i>Knoxville, Ill.</i>	" Samuel Wilkinson, <i>Peoria, Ill.</i>
" Thomas W. Haskins, <i>Robin's Nest, Ill.</i>	" Richard F. Newcomb, <i>Quincy, Ill.</i>
" John Wilkinson, <i>Farmington, Ill.</i>	" Matthew Griswold, <i>Peoria, Ill.</i>

## DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. David H. Greer, D.D., <i>Providence.</i>	Mr. John H. Stiness, <i>Providence.</i>
" Charles A. L. Richards, D.D., <i>Providence.</i>	" Augustus O. Bourn, <i>Bristol.</i>
" George J. Magill, <i>Newport.</i>	" Samuel R. Dorrance, <i>Providence.</i>
" Daniel Henshaw, S.T.D., <i>Providence.</i>	" William W. Blodgett, <i>Pawtucket.</i>
	" George C. Nightingale, <sup>2</sup> <i>Providence.</i>

## DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. John DeWitt McCollough, <i>Spartanburg.</i>	Mr. Edward McCrady, <i>Charleston.</i>
" A. Toomer Porter, D.D., <i>Charleston.</i>	" Robert W. Shand, <i>Union.</i>
" Ellison Capers, <i>Greenville.</i>	" J. J. Pringle Smith, <i>Charleston.</i>
" John Johnson, <i>Charleston.</i>	" Christopher G. Memminger, <i>Charleston.</i>

## DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN OHIO.

The Rev. Samuel Benedict, D.D., <i>Cincinnati, O.</i>	Mr. John W. Andrews, LL.D., <i>Columbus, O.</i>
" Cyrus S. Bates, D.D., <i>Gambier, O.</i>	" John L. Stettinius, <i>Cincinnati, O.</i>
" Jesse T. Webster, <i>Dayton, O.</i>	" Moses M. Granger, LL.D., <i>Zanesville, O.</i>
" I. Newton Stanger, <i>Cincinnati, O.</i>	" Alexander H. McGuffey, <i>Cincinnati, O.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Earp, on the seventeenth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Bourn, on the eighth day of the session.



## DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. S. C. Thrall, D.D., <i>Paris, Ill.</i>	Mr. William J. Quinlan, <i>Decatur, Ill.</i>
" David W. Dresser, <i>Champaign, Ill.</i>	" Henry H. Candee, <i>Cairo, Ill.</i>
" Frederick W. Taylor, <i>Danville, Ill.</i>	" Henry Davis, <i>Belleville, Ill.</i>
" Frederick P. Davenport, <i>Cairo, Ill.</i>	" Lowber Burrows, <i>Decatur, Ill.</i>

## DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE.

The Rev. George White, D.D., <i>Memphis.</i>	Mr. Albert T. McNeal, <i>Bolivar.</i>
" William C. Gray, D.D., <i>Nashville.</i>	" Jacob Thompson, <i>Memphis.</i>
" P. A. Fitts, <i>Clarksville.</i>	" Horace H. Lurton, <i>Clarksville.</i>
" H. H. Sneed, <i>Chattanooga.</i>	" John L. T. Sneed, <i>Memphis.</i>

## DIOCESE OF TEXAS.

The Rev. Benjamin A. Rogers, <i>Waco.</i>	Mr. A. S. Richardson, <i>Houston.</i>
" Lindsay P. Rucker, <i>Brenham.</i>	" George W. Jackson, <i>Waco.</i>
" S. M. Bird, <i>Galveston.</i>	" R. M. Elgin, <i>Houston.</i>
" E. G. Benners, <i>Jefferson.</i>	" James A. Wayland, <i>Austin.</i>
" W. G. W. Smith, <sup>1</sup> <i>La Grange.</i>	

## DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

The Rev. William H. Collins, <i>Brattleboro'.</i>	Mr. George F. Edmunds, <i>Burlington.</i>
" Edward H. Randall, <i>Poultney.</i>	" Charles Clement, <i>Rutland.</i>
" Alonzo B. Flanders, <i>White River Junction.</i>	" Charles Dewey, <i>Montpelier.</i>
" Francis W. Smith, <i>Woodstock.</i>	" George Nichols, <i>Northfield.</i>
	" Charles E. Parker, <sup>2</sup> <i>Vergennes.</i>

## DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

The Rev. George H. Norton, D.D., <i>Alexandria.</i>	Mr. Hugh W. Sheffey, LL.D., <i>Staunton.</i>
" J. Stuart Hancel, D.D., <i>Charlottesville.</i>	" Walter H. Taylor, <i>Norfolk.</i>
" Joshua Peterkin, D.D., <i>Richmond.</i>	" Robert E. Withers, <i>Wytheville.</i>
" Churchill J. Gibson, D.D., <i>Petersburg.</i>	" Taylor Berry, <i>Amherst Court House.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Benners, on the seventeenth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Dewey, on the twelfth day of the session.

## DIOCESE OF WEST VIRGINIA.

The Rev. Robert A. Gibson, <i>Parkersburg, W. Va.</i>	Mr. N. S. White, <i>Charlestown, W. Va.</i>
" R. Addison Cobbs, <i>Charleston, W. Va.</i>	" T. L. Broun, <i>Charleston, W. Va.</i>
" William T. Leavell, <i>Charlestown, W. Va.</i>	" R. J. McCandlish, <i>Parkersburg, W. Va.</i>
" L. R. Mason, <i>Shepherdstown, W. Va.</i>	" J. P. Rogers, <i>Wheeling, W. Va.</i>
	" E. J. Lee, <sup>1</sup> <i>Shepherdstown, W. Va.</i>
	" W. P. Craighill, <sup>2</sup> <i>Charlestown, W. Va.</i>

## DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

The Rev. Sidney Corbett, D.D., <i>Battle Creek.</i>	Mr. Lebeus C. Chapin, M.D., <i>Kalamazoo.</i>
" E. Spruille Burford, <i>Grand Rapids.</i>	" David G. Robinson, <i>Hastings.</i>
" Herbert J. Cook, <i>Coldwater.</i>	" William R. Shelby, <i>Grand Rapids.</i>
" Joseph W. Bancroft, <i>Hastings.</i>	" Noah P. Loveridge, <i>Washington, D. C.</i>

## DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

The Rev. Henry Anstice, D.D., <i>Rochester, N. Y.</i>	Mr. James M. Smith, LL.D., <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>
" John W. Brown, D.D., <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>	" James H. Fisher, <i>Rochester, N. Y.</i>
" James Rankine, D.D., <i>Geneva, N. Y.</i>	" John N. Macomb, jun., <i>Branchport, N. Y.</i>
" W. D'Orville Doty, D.D., <i>Rochester, N. Y.</i>	" Gad B. Worthington, <i>Batavia, N. Y.</i>

## DIOCESE OF WISCONSIN.

The Rev. William Adams, D.D., <i>Nashotah.</i>	Mr. J. B. Doe, <i>Janesville.</i>
" J. B. Pradt, <i>Madison.</i>	" J. H. Reigart, <i>Beloit.</i>
" William Bliss Ashley, D.D., <i>Milwaukee.</i>	" George H. Paul, <i>Milwaukee.</i>
" W. P. Ten Broeck, <i>La Crosse.</i>	" Walter M. Wells, <i>Delavan.</i>

## DELEGATES FROM MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

*Colorado and Wyoming.*

The Rev. Charles H. Marshall, <i>Denver, Col.</i>	Mr. Charles D. Cobb, <i>Denver, Col.</i>
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<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Broun, on the twelfth day of the session.<sup>2</sup> Taking the place of Mr. Lee, on the eighteenth day of the session.

*Dakota.*

The Rev. Melancthon Hoyt, D.D.,	Mr. J. W. Campbell.
“ “ B. F. Cooley, <sup>1</sup>	
Huron.	
Fargo.	

*Utah and Idaho.*

The Rev. C. M. Armstrong,	Mr. Charles W. Lyman,
Salt Lake City, Utah.	Salt Lake City, Utah.

*Nebraska.*

The Rev. L. C. Walker,	Mr. Henry Stricker,
Lower Brule Agency, Dak.	Yankton Agency, Dak.

*Northern Texas.*

Mr. Grimian,	Terrell, Tex.
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*Western Texas.*

The Rev. Walter R. Richardson,	Gen. C. C. Auger,
San Antonio, Tex.	San Antonio, Tex.

*Northern California.*

The Rev. W. C. Powell,	Mr. Thomas Walsh,
Grass Valley, Cal.	Eureka, Cal.

*New Mexico and Arizona.*

The Rev. J. A. M. La Tourette,	Mr. L. Bradford Prince,
Fort Union, New Mexico.	Santa Fé, New Mexico.

*Montana.*

The Rev. E. G. Prout,	Mr. Daniel Marshall,
Virginia City.	Helena.

*Washington.*

The Rev. George H. Watson,	Mr. George E. Atkinson,
Seattle.	Tacoma.

<sup>1</sup> Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Hoyt, on the seventh day of the session.



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FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

CHRIST CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA,  
Wednesday, October 3, A.D. 1883.

THIS being the day designated by the Constitution for holding a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Bishops and Deputies-elect assembled, agreeably to the appointment of the last General Convention, in the city of Philadelphia, in Christ Church.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Secretary of the House of Deputies; the Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D., Rector of S. James's Church, Philadelphia; the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., Secretary of the House of Bishops; the Rev. Henry Anstice, D.D., Assistant Secretary of the House of Deputies; the Rev. William N. McVickar, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia; the Absolution being pronounced by the Right Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., Presiding Bishop.

The sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Thomas M. Clark, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island, from Exodus xv. 17.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., Bishop of Delaware, assisted by the Right Rev. Anthony W. Thorold, Bishop of Rochester, England; the Right Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Bishop of Ohio; and others.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, 4 P.M.

The credentials of those who attended as members-elect of the House of Deputies were received and recorded by the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Secretary.

Whereupon the names were called, and the following members took their seats : —

## CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, and the Rev. Messrs. Johnston and Beard.

ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Payne, Battershall, Harison, and Morrison.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Tupper, Vaulx, and Stout.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Mr. Birdsall, and the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Van Deusen, Brainard, Egar, and Goodrich.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Mr. Leverett, the Rev. Drs. Knight and Orrick, and the Rev. Mr. Jones.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Drs. Beardsley and Harwood, the Rev. Mr. Fogg, and the Rev. Dr. Giesy.

DELAWARE. — The Rev. Messrs. Douglass, Littell, and Gordon, and the Rev. Dr. DuBois.

EASTON. — The Rev. Dr. Dashiell, and the Rev. Drs. Barton, Barber, and Wilson.

FLORIDA. — The Rev. Dr. Weller, the Rev. Mr. Thackara, and the Rev. Drs. Scott and Carter.

FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Dafter, Prescott, Vernor, and Wright.

GEORGIA. — The Rev. Dr. Williams, and the Rev. Messrs. Boone and Pond.

ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Drs. Locke and Vibbert, and the Rev. Messrs. Sweet and Knowles.

INDIANA. — The Rev. Drs. Wakefield and Reeves, and the Rev. Messrs. Scott and Faudé.

IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Messrs. Van Antwerp, Stilson, and Trimble.

KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Messrs. Ellerby and Holden.

KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Dr. Tidball, and the Rev. Mr. Tschiffely.

LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Schenck and Drowne.

LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Mr. Girault, the Rev. Dr. Dalzell, and the Rev. Mr. Waters.

MAINE. — The Rev. Messrs. Leffingwell and Upjohn, and the Rev. Dr. Fiske.

MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hutton, Elliott, Leeds, and Lewin.

MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Drs. Lambert, Huntington, and Brooks.

MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Worthington, the Rev. Messrs. Brewster and Clark, and the Rev. Dr. Hall.

MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Drs. Knickerbacker and Hawley.

MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Messrs. Marks, Munford, and Logan.

MISSOURI. — The Rev. Drs. Fulton and Runcie, and the Rev. Mr. Robert.

NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Messrs. Millsbaugh and Shaw.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Messrs. Sears, Smith, and Roberts.

NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Garrison, Franklin, Hills, and Langford.

NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Dix and Shipman.



NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Dr. Watson, the Rev. Mr. Hughes, and the Rev. Dr. Marshall.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Dr. Farrington, and the Rev. Messrs. Stansbury and Moffett.

OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Rulison, Bodine, and Atwill, and the Rev. Mr. Osborne.

PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Hare, Goodwin, Davies, and McVickar.

PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Dr. Purdon, and the Rev. Messrs. Vincent, Earp, and Carstensen.

QUINCY. — The Rev. Messrs. Shrimpton, Rudd, and Wilkinson.

RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Richards, the Rev. Mr. Magill, and the Rev. Dr. Henshaw.

SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Mr. McCollough, the Rev. Dr. Porter, and the Rev. Mr. Capers.

SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Benedict and Bates, and the Rev. Mr. Stanger.

SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Dr. Thrall, and the Rev. Messrs. Dresser, Taylor, and Davenport.

TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. White, and the Rev. Mr. Fitts.

TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rogers, Rucker, Bird, and Benners.

VERMONT. — The Rev. Messrs. Collins, Flanders, and Smith.

VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Norton, Peterkin, and Gibson.

WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Cobbs, Leavell, and Mason.

WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Corbett, and the Rev. Messrs. Cook and Bancroft.

WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Anstice, Brown, Rankiné, and Doty.

WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Dr. Adams, the Rev. Mr. Pradt, the Rev. Dr. Ashley, and the Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck.

#### MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. W. C. Powell.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA. — The Rev. J. A. M. LaTourette.

#### LAY DEPUTIES.

ALABAMA. — Messrs. Nelson and Buell.

ALBANY. — Mr. Forsyth.

ARKANSAS. — Mr. McCracken.

CALIFORNIA. — Messrs. Stephens and Peabody.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. McWhorter, Gardner, and Moss.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Coppée, Atlee, and Baldy.

CONNECTICUT. — Messrs. Harrison, Stark, and Minor.

DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis, Bates, and Burr.

EASTON. — Messrs. Walker, Adkins, Goldsborough, and Mackall.

FLORIDA. — Messrs. Fairbanks and Walker.

FOND DU LAC. — Mr. Jenkins.

GEORGIA. — Messrs. Whittle, Davidson, Harrison, and Guerrard.

ILLINOIS. — Messrs. Judd, Stahl, Tilden, and Fuller.

INDIANA. — Messrs. Irwin, Martin, and Kiersted.

IOWA. — Messrs. Bever and Mallory.

KANSAS. — Messrs. Otis and Buck.

KENTUCKY. — Messrs. Cornwall, Stevenson, and Robinson.

LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. Pierrepont, King, and Nicoll.

LOUISIANA. — Mr. McConnell.

MAINE. — Messrs. Bridge and Ingalls.

MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, Stewart, and Wilner.

MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Shattuck and Davis.  
 MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Baldwin, Eaton, and Minor.  
 MINNESOTA. — Messrs. Atwater and Wilder.  
 MISSISSIPPI. — Messrs. Bailey and Farrar.  
 MISSOURI. — Messrs. Bascome and Triplett.  
 NEBRASKA. — Mr. Metcalf.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Balcom.  
 NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Hance, Wilson, Pugh, and Conover.  
 NEW YORK. — Messrs. Nash and Tracy.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. DeRosset, Hughes, Henderson, and Atkinson.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Meigs and Hicks.  
 OHIO. — Messrs. Moss and Devereux.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Coffin and Merrick.  
 PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. Hay, Shoenberger, and Church.  
 QUINCY. — Messrs. Williamson and Wilkinson.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — Mr. Dorrance.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. McCrady and Memminger.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Messrs. Andrews, Stettenius, and McGuffey.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — Messrs. Quinlan, Candee, Davis, and Burrows.  
 TENNESSEE. —  
 TEXAS. — Mr. Jackson.  
 VERMONT. — Messrs. Edmunds and Dewey.  
 VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Sheffey, Taylor, and Berry.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Broun, McCandlish, and Rogers.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Mr. Robinson.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Messrs. Smith, Fisher, and Worthington.  
 WISCONSIN. — Messrs. Reigart, Paul, and Wells.

## MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

WESTERN TEXAS. — Mr. Augur.

The Secretary having declared that this Church was represented in a majority of Dioceses agreeably to the requirement of Article 1 of the Constitution, —

On motion of Mr. Whittle, it was

*Resolved*, That the House proceed to the election of a President.

The Secretary appointed as tellers, the Rev. Mr. Osborne, the Rev. Mr. Wright, Mr. Triplett, and Mr. Burr.

The tellers reported that there had been 265 votes cast, of which 133 were necessary to a choice; and that the Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley, D.D., LL.D., of Connecticut, having received 133 votes, was elected President of the House.

The Rev. Mr. Girault and Mr. Edmunds were appointed to conduct the President to the chair. On taking his seat, the President briefly addressed the House.

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The tellers reported that there had been 264 votes cast, of which

133 were necessary to a choice; and that the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, of Massachusetts, having received 157 votes, was elected Secretary of the House.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Leeds and Mr. Stevenson as a committee to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of this House and its readiness to proceed to business.

The following Message was received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 1st day of the Session,  
October 3, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 1.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has organized, has elected the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., of the Diocese of New York, as its Secretary, and is ready to proceed to business.

Attest: H. C. POTTER, *Secretary*.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed as Assistant Secretaries the Rev. Henry Anstice, D.D., of Western New York, the Rev. Alexander J. Miller of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. Edward W. Worthington of Western New York.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the appointments were confirmed.

The Rev. Dr. Brown offered the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Secretaries be instructed to apportion by lot the seats of the Deputies according to Dioceses, respectively.

The Rev. Dr. Knight offered the following amendment:—

*Resolved*, That the Secretaries be instructed to arrange the seats of the Deputations in the nave of the Church, by lot.

The Rev. Mr. Faudé offered the following substitute for the resolution and amendment:—

*Resolved*, That the seats at present assigned to the different Dioceses be the permanent sittings of the House of Deputies;

which was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Goodwin, it was

*Resolved*, That the south gallery be reserved for the families of Bishops and Deputies, and for the Clergy.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

## SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 4, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Worthington and the Rev. Dr. Knight. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Delaware.

The roll was called; and the following Deputies, not present yesterday, answered to their names: —

### CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Dr. Banister.  
 CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Chetwood and Spalding.  
 LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Snively.  
 MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Watson.  
 NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Mr. Doherty.  
 NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Hoffman.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Dr. Huske.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Mr. Johnson.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Mr. Webster.  
 TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Gray and the Rev. Mr. Sneed.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Burford.

### LAY DEPUTIES.

CONNECTICUT. — Mr. Russell.  
 LONG ISLAND. — Mr. Gilbert.  
 LOUISIANA. — Mr. Horner.  
 MAINE. — Mr. Gardiner.  
 MARYLAND. — Mr. Abert.  
 MICHIGAN. — Mr. Pittman.  
 MINNESOTA. — Mr. Dawson.  
 MISSISSIPPI. — Mr. Simrall.  
 MISSOURI. — Mr. Lycett.  
 NEBRASKA. — Mr. Woolworth.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Richardson.  
 OHIO. — Mr. Delano.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Harrison and McMurtrie.  
 PITTSBURGH. — Mr. Smith.  
 VERMONT. — Messrs. Clement and Nichols.  
 VIRGINIA. — Mr. Withers.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — Mr. White.

### MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

#### CLERICAL DELEGATES.

DAKOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Hoyt.  
 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Mr. Davis.

#### LAY DELEGATE.

DAKOTA. — Mr. Campbell.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees : —

#### ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Hutton, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Banister, of Alabama; the Rev. Mr. Tupper, of Arkansas; the Rev. Dr. Morrison, of Albany; the Rev. Mr. Birdsall, of California; the Rev. Dr. Egar, of Central New York; the Rev. Mr. Leverett, of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Giesy, of Connecticut; the Rev. Mr. Douglass, of Delaware; the Rev. Dr. Barber, of Easton; the Rev. Dr. Weller, of Florida; the Rev. Mr. Vernor, of Fond du Lac; the Rev. Mr. Boone, of Georgia; the Rev. Mr. Knowles, of Illinois; the Rev. Dr. Wakefield, of Indiana; the Rev. Dr. Ringgold, of Iowa; the Rev. Mr. Ellerby, of Kansas; the Rev. Dr. Tidball, of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Drowne, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Percival, of Louisiana; the Rev. Mr. Washburn, of Maine; the Rev. Dr. Lambert, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Clark, of Michigan; the Rev. Mr. Thomas, of Minnesota; the Rev. Dr. Sansom, of Mississippi; the Rev. Mr. Robert, of Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Millsbaugh, of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Hills, of New Jersey; the Rev. Mr. Smith, of New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Shipman, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Huske, of North Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Stansbury, of Northern New Jersey; the Rev. Mr. Osborne, of Ohio; the Rev. Dr. McVickar, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Purdon, of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Mr. Shrimpton, of Quincy; the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Mr. McCollough, of South Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Webster, of Southern Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Thrall, of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. White, of Tennessee; the Rev. Mr. Bird, of Texas; the Rev. Mr. Collins, of Vermont; the Rev. Dr. Peterkin, of Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Cobbs, of West Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Bancroft, of Western Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Rankine, of Western New York; and the Rev. Dr. Ashley, of Wisconsin.

#### ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. Dr. Farrington, of Northern New Jersey; the Rev. Mr. Littell, of Delaware; the Rev. Mr. Converse, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Atwill, of Ohio; the Rev. Mr. Carstensen, of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Dr. Davies, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Langford, of New Jersey; Mr. Pierrepont, of Long Island; Mr. McWhorter, of Central New York; Mr. Harrison, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Gardiner, of Maine; Mr. King, of Long Island; and Mr. Corning, of Albany.

#### ON THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Rev. Dr. Schenck, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Worthington, of Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Greer, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Dr. Runcie, of Missouri; the Rev. Dr. Rulison, of Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Georgia; the Rev. Mr. Leffingwell, of Maine; Mr. Stark, of Connecticut; Mr. Coffin, of Pennsylvania; Mr. DeRossett, of North Carolina; Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts; Mr. Tracy, of New York; and Mr. Jenkins, of Fond du Lac.

#### ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW DIOCESES.

The Rev. Dr. Hankell, of Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Brown, of Western New York; the Rev. Mr. Girault, of Louisiana; the Rev. Dr. Snively, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Battershall, of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Richards, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Dr. Dashiell, of Easton; Mr. Meigs, of Northern New Jersey; Mr. Delano, of Ohio; Mr. McMurtrie, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Bailey, of Mississippi; Mr. Lamberton, of Central Pennsylvania; and Mr. Woolworth, of Nebraska.

## CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

The Rev. Dr. Scott, of Florida; the Rev. Dr. Franklin, of New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, of New York; the Rev. Mr. Upjohn, of Maine; the Rev. Dr. Dalzell, of Louisiana; the Rev. Mr. Sears, of New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Vibbert, of Illinois; Mr. Robinson, of Kentucky; Mr. Taylor, of Virginia; Mr. Nicoll, of Long Island; Mr. Irwin, of Indiana; Mr. Merrick, of Pennsylvania; and Mr. Atlee, of Central Pennsylvania.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The Rev. Dr. Hall, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Benedict, of Southern Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Garrison, of New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Harwood, of Connecticut; Mr. McCrady, of South Carolina; Mr. Wilder, of Minnesota; Mr. Parker, of Northern New Jersey; Mr. Fish, of New York; Mr. Stevenson, of Kentucky; Mr. Bennett, of Massachusetts; Mr. Smith, of Western New York; and Mr. McConnell, of Louisiana.

## ON CANONS.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, of North Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Dix, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Harrison, of Albany; Rev. Dr. Beach, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Lewin, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Goodwin, of Tennessee; the Rev. Dr. Fulton, of Missouri; Mr. Sheffey, of Virginia; Mr. Judd, of Illinois; Mr. Edmunds, of Vermont; Mr. Harrison, of Connecticut; Mr. McGuffey, of Southern Ohio; and Mr. Hay, of Pittsburgh.

## ON EXPENSES.

Mr. Shattuck, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Knight, of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Doty, of Western New York; the Rev. Dr. Gibson, of Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Spalding, of California; Mr. Baldwin, of Michigan; Mr. Coffin, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Nelson, of Alabama; Mr. Bridge, of Maine; Mr. Stiness, of Rhode Island; Mr. Devereux, of Ohio; Mr. Gilbert, of Long Island; Mr. Moss, of Central New York.

(The Secretary of the House was subsequently added. See p. 166.)

## ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. Mr. Marks, of Mississippi; the Rev. Dr. Beatty, of Kansas; the Rev. Mr. Chetwood, of California; the Rev. Mr. Leverett, of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Roberts, of New Hampshire; the Rev. Mr. Dafter, of Fond du Lac; the Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp, of Iowa; Mr. Eaton, of Michigan; Mr. Hance, of New Jersey; Mr. Lurton, of Tennessee; Mr. Williamson, of Quincy; Mr. Clement, of Vermont; and Mr. Quinlan, of Springfield.

## ON ELECTIONS.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, of Illinois; the Rev. Mr. Magill, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Mr. Cook, of Western Michigan; the Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Texas; the Rev. Dr. McNamara, of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Hawley, of Minnesota; the Rev. Mr. Faudé, of Indiana; Mr. Forsyth, of Albany; Mr. Mather, of Ohio; Mr. Atlee, of Central Pennsylvania; Mr. Adkins, of Easton; Mr. Dewey, of Vermont; and Mr. White, of West Virginia.

## ON THE PRAYER BOOK.

The Rev. Dr. Payne, of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Adams, of Wisconsin; the Rev. Dr. Norton, of Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, of Alabama; the Rev. Dr. Perkins, of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Brooks, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Leeds, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Brainard, of Central New



York; Mr. Meads, of Albany; Mr. Moss, of Ohio; Mr. Goldsborough, of Easton; Mr. Nash, of New York; and Mr. J. Pringle Smith, of South Carolina.

ON EDUCATION UNDER THE AUSPICES AND CONTROL OF THE PROTESTANT  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Coit, of New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Hare, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Porter, of South Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Bodine, of Ohio; the Rev. Mr. Earp, of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Dr. Hall, of Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Bates, of Southern Ohio; Mr. Coppée, of Central Pennsylvania; Mr. Whittle, of Georgia; Mr. Chapin, of Western Michigan; Mr. Curtis, of Delaware; Mr. Richardson, of New Hampshire; and Mr. Atwater, of Minnesota.

ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, of Northern New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Barton, of Easton; the Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Maryland; the Rev. Mr. Vincent, of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Mr. Hughes, of North Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Fogg, of Connecticut; the Rev. Mr. Brewster, of Michigan; Mr. Cornwall, of Kentucky; Mr. Berry, of Virginia; Mr. Burr, of Delaware; Mr. Bourn, of Rhode Island; Mr. Wells, of Wisconsin; and Mr. Fairbanks, of Florida.

ON RULES OF ORDER.

Mr. Withers, of Virginia; Mr. Edmunds, of Vermont; Mr. Fish, of New York; Mr. Woolworth, of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Garrison, of New Jersey.

Mr. Sheffey presented, from the Council of the Diocese of Virginia, the testimonials of the Rev. Alfred M. Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of that Diocese; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 173.)

The Rev. Dr. Dix presented, from the Convention of the Diocese of New York, the testimonials of the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of that Diocese; which, on motion, were referred to the same Committee.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 173.)

The Rev. Dr. Wakefield presented, from the Convention of the Diocese of Indiana, the testimonials of the Rev. David B. Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop elect of that Diocese; which, on motion, were referred to the same Committee.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 173.)

The Rev. Dr. Farrington presented, from the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, the Triennial Report of the Trustees of that Institution (see Appendix IV. 1); which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 237.)

The Secretary of the House presented a copy of the amended Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, transmitted to him by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of that Institution; which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 237.)

Mr. Stevenson, from the Committee to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform that body that this House had organized and was ready for business, reported that it had performed that duty.

The Rev. Mr. Bancroft presented a Memorial (see Appendix XI. 4) from the Diocese of Western Michigan, relating to a change in the boundary-lines of the Dioceses of Michigan and Western Michigan; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 172.)

The Rev. Dr. Harison, from the Joint Committee on the Lectionary, presented a Report; which, on his motion, was made the Order of the Day for Wednesday next, at twelve m.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 188, 228.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina presented a Memorial (see Appendix XI. 5) from that Diocese, asking the consent of the General Convention to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the present one; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 178.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Farrington, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be directed to request a copy of the sermon preached by the Right Rev. Thomas M. Clark, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Rhode Island, at the opening of this Convention, and that fifteen hundred copies of the same be printed for the use of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. White offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:—

WHEREAS, It is the judgment of the Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now assembled, that the present era in the history of its progress is marked by circumstances which specially excite deep concern and profound gratitude to the great Head of the Church for his guidance in enabling us to carry out the wisdom and piety of our fathers, and thus securing to us the faith once delivered to the saints; and

WHEREAS, In the opinion of the members of this Convention, it is a happy arrangement that its opening services were held in an edifice hallowed

by sacred associations; this being the place in which its first council was held, and the spot made precious by the remains of Bishop White:

Therefore *Resolved*, That the Deputies of this Convention desire to meet, as they have met in former years, the honoured dignitaries of the Church, for mutual congratulation and thanksgiving.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be respectfully invited to appoint a committee of that House to arrange a time and place for the accomplishment of this purpose.

(For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 15.)

The Rev. Dr. Knight, from the Deputation appointed at the last Convention to visit the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada, presented the following Report:—

The Deputation appointed to attend the meeting of the Provincial Synod of Canada beg leave to make their report.

It pleased God to take out of this world the Hon. John B. Howe of Indiana, after his appointment as Deputy. Mr. Erastus Corning was detained at home by pressing engagements; and the Bishop of Missouri, by the unexpected death of an eminent Diocesan officer and personal friend. We, the rest, attended the opening service of the Synod, and other sessions. We were most cordially received; and the Bishop of Easton was appointed to deliver the sermon before the Synod at the first service. The Bishop of Southern Ohio, who, while not of the Delegation, was in attendance as a visitor, preached the sermon in the Cathedral on the evening of the same day. The Rev. Dr. Knight was appointed to preach on Sunday at the Cathedral, and the Rev. Dr. Benedict to make an address at a large and important missionary meeting. We also each addressed the Synod, and in your name we invited them to send a Delegation to this Convention. We were much struck and cheered by the evidences, at this great gathering, of quiet but uninterrupted growth, missionary zeal, and quickened spiritual life, in this our sister church.

HENRY C. LAY.

C. F. KNIGHT.

SAMUEL BENEDICT.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Farrington, it was

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies hold daily sessions from half-past nine o'clock A.M. to half-past four o'clock P.M., with a recess of one hour, beginning at one o'clock; but that on each Saturday the session shall close at one o'clock.

Mr. Shattuck presented the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention.

(For the Report, see Appendix XIV.)

Mr. Shattuck, from the Committee on Expenses, also presented the following Report:—

#### REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Expenses were authorized to sit during the recess, and respectfully make their Report.

1. They have attended to the duty of negotiating with railroad companies for reduction of fares, but have not been generally successful in securing any reduction, the matter having been intrusted to the members residing in different States.

2. They have arranged for the preparation of a full daily report of the proceedings of the House of Deputies, with "The Philadelphia Inquirer," which may be had by members of the Convention at fifty cents a month.

3. They were empowered to take full and final action touching the travelling expenses of the members of the next General Convention.

4. Having ascertained, in response to circulars sent to the Secretaries of all the Diocesan Conventions, that only five Conventions were in favour of the travelling expenses being met from an assessment made by the General Convention, they have proceeded no further in this matter.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK, *for the Committee.*

The Rev. Dr. Adams offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :—

*Resolved*, That, in Article 2 of the Constitution, the word "three" be substituted for the word "four."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 193.)

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin offered the following resolution, which, with an accompanying memorial on the same subject, from the Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :—

*Resolved*, That the Second Article of the Constitution be amended to read as follows :—

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to representation by at least one Clerical and one Lay Deputy. All Deputies shall be communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese which they represent, and shall be chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof. If in any Diocese the number of Clergy, to be ascertained in the manner hereinafter provided, shall be one hundred or more, the Diocese shall be entitled to two Deputies of each order; if two hundred or more, to three Deputies of each order; if three hundred or more, to four Deputies of each order, and no more.

Before the meeting of each General Convention, the Bishop of each Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop who can act, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall transmit to the Secretary of the General Convention a list of the names of Clergymen certified to be entitled to seats in the Diocesan Convention in that year. In determining the number of Deputies to which any Diocese is entitled, there shall be added to the number of Clergymen so reported to the Secretary of the General Convention, so many as the number reported for the preceding General Convention was in excess of the number required for the representation which it had in that Convention; or, if any Diocese had but one Deputy of each order in that preceding Convention, there shall be added the excess above fifty of the number of Clergy so reported for that Diocese.

In all questions, when required by any three Clerical or any three Lay Deputies, the vote shall be taken by Orders; and the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

If the Convention of any Diocese, etc. (as it now stands).

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 210.)

On motion of Mr. Gordon, it was

*Resolved*, That in the absence (caused by illness) of the Treasurer of the Convention, Mr. Shattuck of Massachusetts be empowered to act as Treasurer during the present session of the Convention, and to receipt for all moneys paid through him into the Treasury.

The Rev. Dr. Tidball offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons : —

*Resolved*, That Title I, Canon 9, Section iii., [5.], be amended by inserting after the words, "He shall not deliver sermons of his own composition," the words, "unless he be thereto licensed by the Bishop," and that [6.] of the same Canon be stricken out.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 201.)

On motion of Mr. Judd, the House reconsidered its action of yesterday on the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Faudé (see p. 157); and on further motion the resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Devereux, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee, consisting of one Clergyman and two Laymen, be appointed by the Chair, to determine by lot the seats to be appropriated to the Deputies of this Convention.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Mr. Spalding, Mr. Stark, and Mr. Coffin.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Rules of Order be requested to revise Rule No. 13, and report such amendment thereto as they may think necessary.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 170.)

Mr. Hance offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was laid on the table : —

*Resolved*, That the seats of the Deputies shall be, in future meetings of the Convention, apportioned by seniority of organization of the Dioceses.

The Rev. Dr. Thrall offered the following resolution; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order : —

*Resolved*, That the words "or confirmation," in the seventeenth Rule of Order, be stricken out.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 170.)

The Secretary read a communication from the Young Men's Christian Association of Philadelphia, extending to the members of the Convention the conveniences of its rooms; from the

Union League of Philadelphia, inviting the members to the privileges of its house; and from the House of Refuge, Philadelphia, inviting the members to visit that Institution. On motion, the several invitations were accepted, with thanks.

On motion of Mr. Nelson, it was

*Resolved*, That all matters coming before this House, involving the expenditure of money, be referred to the Committee on Expenses before the same shall be considered.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, on motion of Mr. Shattuck, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be added to the Committee on Expenses.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen of this Church, and of other branches of the Church Catholic with which the Church is in communion, who may be sojourning in this city; managers of the Board of Missions; trustees, professors, and students of the General Theological Seminary; trustees, professors, and students of the Divinity School of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Philadelphia; other students of theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church; former members of the House of Deputies; and the Clergy, Wardens, and Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity and of Christ Church in this city, — be admitted to the sittings of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted: —

WHEREAS, This body recognized yesterday with peculiar gratification, at the opening of the religious services of this General Convention, the presence of the Right Rev. Dr. Thorold, Lord Bishop of Rochester; therefore

*Resolved*, That a Committee of two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to convey to this distinguished Prelate the salutation of the House of Deputies, and extend to him an invitation to attend the sessions of this House, and occupy a seat at the right of the President.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the Rev. Dr. Schenck, Mr. Harrison of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Davis.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Reports: —

#### REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Elections respectfully report, that certificates of Clerical and Lay Deputies of this House have been received from every Diocese in union with this Convention, and from the Missionary Jurisdictions of Oregon, Colorado and Wyoming, Utah and Idaho, Niobrara, Western Texas, Northern California, New Mexico and Arizona, Montana, and Washington; that the certificates are all in due form, and that they have given to the



Secretary a list of the names of those entitled to be entered as members of the House.

On behalf of the Committee.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

#### REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Elections would report, that due evidence has been received of the appointment of Mr. James G. Pittman as a Supplementary Deputy from the Diocese of Michigan, *vice* Mr. H. S. Friese, who is unable to attend; of Mr. Hugh G. Clark, of the Diocese of Nebraska, *vice* Mr. C. W. Mead, who is unable to attend; of Mr. H. E. Dotterer, of the Diocese of Florida, *vice* Mr. J. J. Daniel, who is unable to attend; of the Rev. H. H. Sneed, of the Diocese of Tennessee, *vice* the Rev. S. W. Dumbell, who is unable to attend; and of the Rev. Thomas Haskins, of the Diocese of Quincy, *vice* the Rev. John Benson, who is unable to attend. These names have been given to the Secretary, and entered on the roll of the House.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Thrall offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book: —

*Resolved*, That the title of the Prayer Book and the title of the Ordinal be amended by striking from each the words "Protestant Episcopal."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 174.)

The same gentleman offered the following resolution; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution: —

*Resolved*, That the Constitution be amended by striking out the words "Protestant Episcopal" wherever they occur.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 186.)

The same gentleman offered the following resolution; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons: —

*Resolved*, That the Code of Canons be amended by striking out the words "Protestant Episcopal" wherever they occur.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 202.)

The President communicated to the House the following cablegram from the Church Congress of the Church of England: —

The Archbishop of Canterbury, and the President of the Church Congress assembled at Reading, send brotherly greeting to the General Convention of the American Church, for which the Congress has prayed this morning.

(Signed)

LORD BISHOP OF OXFORD.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schenck, it was

*Resolved*, That, in response to the salutations of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the President of the Church Congress assembled at Reading, England, the House of Deputies would take occasion to express its lively

appreciation, and desire that the President of this House be requested, in conjunction with the Presiding Bishop, to return the cordial greetings of our Church.

The Rev. Dr. Leeds presented a request from the Vestry of S. Paul's Church, Baltimore, addressed to the Deputation from the Diocese of Maryland, asking them to memorialize the Convention in favour of a change in the phraseology of the Testimonial of Candidates for the Order of Priesthood, Title I., Canon 8, Section iv., [2.], to conform it, in the item of personal knowledge, to the language of the Testimonial required of Ministers and Vestries for a candidate for Deacon's Orders; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 191.)

The Rev. Dr. Hills offered the following resolution; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 1 of the Constitution be so amended, that, for the words "General Convention," the words "Triennial Council" be substituted; and that the Constitution and Canons throughout be made to correspond with this change.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 186.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report such amendment as may be expedient to Title I., Canon 10, Section i., relating to the officiating of Ministers ordained in foreign countries.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 226.)

The Rev. Dr. Richards offered the following resolution; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 22, Section i., be amended by adding the following: "except that the General Convention may authorize the tentative use (during the interval from one of its sessions to another) of any proposed alterations or additions to the Book of Common Prayer that may have been recommended by a Committee appointed at a previous session.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 169.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

## THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 5, 1883.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Giesy, and the Rev. Dr. Ashley. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Minnesota.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, it was

*Resolved*, That the calling of the roll be dispensed with for the remainder of the session, and that members appearing for the first time hand in their names to the Secretary.

Whereupon the following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats : —

The Rev. Mr. Thomas, of Minnesota; the Rev. Mr. Talbot, of Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Greer, of Rhode Island; Mr. Hendricks, of Indiana; Mr. Winthrop, of Massachusetts; Mr. Fish, of New York; Mr. Bourn, of Rhode Island; Mr. Macomb, of Western New York.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee to wait upon the Right Rev. Dr. Thorold, Bishop of Rochester, reported that they had discharged that duty, and were prepared to introduce the Bishop to the House.

Whereupon the Committee presented to the President, who introduced to the House, the Bishop of Rochester, who delivered a brief address.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Reports : —

## REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report, that, immediately on the adjournment of the House on the second day of its session, they met for organization, the Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., of North Carolina, being Chairman, and appointed the Rev. Francis Harison, D.D., to be their Secretary.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

## REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed addition to Title I., Canon 22, Section i., so as to authorize the tentative use of alterations or additions to the Book of Common Prayer, respectfully report, that,

in their judgment, the object proposed cannot be attained by an amendment of the Canon; and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the proposed addition to Title I., Canon 22, Section i.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The foregoing Report No. 2 was placed on the Calendar.

(For the consideration of the Report, see pp. 184, 220.)

Mr. Withers, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

The Committee on Rules of Order respectfully submit the following Report on the resolutions referred to them for consideration:—

*Resolved*, That the 17th Rule of Order be so amended as to read:—

17. Whenever the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials, or assent to his consecration, shall be considered, the House shall sit with closed doors.

*Resolved*, That the 13th Rule of Order be amended and re-enacted so as to read:—

13. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for the whole may be received, which, if adopted, shall operate as an amendment to the original proposition. No proposition on a subject different from the one under consideration shall be received under color of an amendment or substitute.

R. E. WITHERS, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 183.)

An invitation from the Journalists' Club of Philadelphia, extending its hospitality to the members of the House, was presented, and, on motion, accepted with thanks.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schenck, the House adjourned, to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions.

(For Report, see p. 443.)

#### FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 6, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Orrick, and the Rev. Dr. Gibson. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Ohio.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats:—

The Rev. Dr. Hall, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Percival, of Louisiana; Mr. Dotterer, of Florida; Mr. Mills, of Northern New Jersey; Mr. Smith, of South Carolina; Mr. Prince, delegate, of New Mexico.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President announced that the Rev. Dr. Hills had been appointed Chairman of the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Watson, of North Carolina, it was

*Resolved*, That the draft of a Canon on Lay Readers, reported to the last General Convention, and referred to this Convention, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 201.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses (see p. 179) :—

REPORT No. 3.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to print in the Calendar the full text of the matters proposed to be acted upon, unless they be separately printed, or it be otherwise ordered by the House.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman Committee on Canons*.

Mr. Judd presented a Memorial (see Appendix XI. 1) of the Diocese of Illinois, with accompanying resolutions (relating to changing the name of that Diocese); which, on his motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 179.)

The Rev. Mr. Vaulx presented a Memorial of the Diocese of Arkansas (relating to the establishment of a Court of Appeal); which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 202.)

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions.

(For Report, see p. 447.)

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## FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 8, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Vernor, and the Rev. Dr. Williams. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Alabama.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats:—

The Rev. Mr. Converse, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, of Northern New Jersey; the Rev. Mr. Minnigerode, of Kentucky; and the Rev. Mr. Richardson, delegate from Western Texas.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

A Message (No. 2) was received from the House of Bishops. (This Message was subsequently recalled. See Message No. 4 from the House of Bishops.)

The following Message was received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 2d day of the Session.  
October 4, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 3.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House will have great pleasure in meeting with the House of Deputies for the purpose indicated in its Message No. 1, and that a Committee of two Bishops be appointed to meet with any Committee on the subject which may be appointed by the House of Deputies, in order to give effect to the resolution.

And the House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed as its Committee, under the foregoing resolution, the Bishop of Missouri and the Bishop of Alabama.

Attest:

H. C. POTTER, *Secretary*.

The President appointed as members of said Committee, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. White, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Harrison of Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Dr. Brown, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Western Michigan, asking the consent of the General Convention to the transfer of "the county of Manitou, composed of islands lying off the west coast of the lower peninsula of Michigan," which territory was inadvertently omitted in the enumeration of counties set off for the new Diocese of Western Michigan at the time of the division of the Diocese of Michigan in the year of our Lord 1874, respectfully report for adoption by this House as follows:—

WHEREAS, Documentary evidence has been furnished, that the Diocese of Michigan has duly authorized the transfer of the County of Manitou, and that the Bishop of Michigan has given his consent thereto: therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the consent of the House of Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring, be and is hereby given to the transfer of the said County of Manitou from the jurisdiction of the Diocese of Michigan to the Diocese of Western Michigan.

JOHN W. BROWN, *for the Committee*.

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.



The Rev. Mr. Upjohn, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following Reports, which, with the Minority Report, presented by the Rev. Dr. Vibbert, were placed on the Calendar (see pp. 194-198) : —

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom were referred the testimonials of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of the Diocese of Virginia, beg leave to report:—

That proper evidence of the election of the said Alfred Magill Randolph as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia has been laid before them, that the testimonials were signed by a majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, and that the same are in due form as prescribed by Canon.

The Committee recommend the passage of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies approve of the testimonials of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., and give their consent to his consecration as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

*Resolved*, That the House proceed to sign the proper certificate to be presented to the House of Bishops.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. J. SCOTT, *Chairman of Committee.*

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom were referred the testimonials of the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of the Diocese of New York, beg leave to report:—

That proper evidence of the election of the said Henry C. Potter as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of New York has been laid before them, that the testimonials were signed by a majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, and that the same are in due form as prescribed by Canon.

The Committee recommend the passage of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies approve of the testimonials of the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., and give their consent to his consecration as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

*Resolved*, That the House proceed to sign the proper certificate to be presented to the House of Bishops.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. J. SCOTT, *Chairman of Committee.*

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom were referred the testimonials of the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Indiana, beg leave to report:—

That proper evidence of election of the said Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Indiana, has been laid before them, that the testimonials were signed by a majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, and that the same are in due form as prescribed by Canon.

The Committee recommend the passage of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies approve of the testimonials of the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, and give their consent to his Consecration as Bishop of the Diocese of Indiana.

*Resolved*, That the House proceed to sign the proper certificate to be presented to the House of Bishops.

J. J. SCOTT, *Chairman of Committee.*

The Rev. Dr. Vibbert, from the same Committee, presented the following Minority Report:—

The undersigned, members of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, ask leave to present to the House of Deputies, as a minority report, that they cannot concur with the majority of the Committee in recommending the House to consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Randolph as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, for the reason that, in their opinion, sufficient time has not elapsed since the occurrence of the disability of the Bishop of the Diocese to determine whether the cause of this disability is permanent, and therefore of a character to warrant the election of an Assistant Bishop under Title I., Canon 15, Section v., of the Digest.

B. FRANKLIN.

E. A. HOFFMAN.

W. T. DICKINSON DALZELL.

WM. H. VIBBERT.

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

J. VAUGHAN MERRICK.

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the State of the Church recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be directed to summarize the statistics in the Reports from the several Dioceses, and publish them in a tabular form, as was done at the last General Convention.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Gray presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Tennessee, asking for its division. The Rev. Mr. Fitts presented sundry papers relating to such division. Both Memorial and papers were, on motion, referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 200.)

The Rev. Dr. Payne, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution asking "that the title of the Prayer Book and the title of the Ordinal be amended by striking from each the words 'Protestant Episcopal,'" have had the same under consideration, and have adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That such alterations are inexpedient.

WILLIAM PAYNE, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 239.)

The Rev. Mr. Marks, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Unfinished Business report the following as unfinished business of the Convention of 1880, viz. :—

1. The various matters intrusted to Joint Committees and Commissions, found on pp. vi., vii., and viii., of the Journal of 1880. These subjects will be brought before the House in the Reports of the respective Committees and Commissions.

2. Reports of the Joint Committee on Marriage with Relatives, appointed at the General Convention of 1877, referred to this Convention (Journal 1880, p. 141). Reports to be found in Appendix XII., Journal 1880.

3. Report of Joint Committee of Conference on the Godly Discipline of the Laity; referred to this Convention, p. 174.

4. Report No. 31, from Committee on Canons, proposing certain amendments to Title I., Canon 9, on Lay Readers (p. 163); referred to this Convention, p. 193.

5. Report No. 33, from Committee on Canons, proposing amendments of Title III., Canon 8, relating to Federate Councils (p. 165); referred to this Convention, p. 194.

6. Proposed Canon on Deaconesses (p. 79) and proposed Canon "of Organized Religious Societies within the Church," contained in Message No. 35, from the House of Bishops (p. 118); whole subject referred to this Convention, p. 196.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. MARKS, *Chairman.*

On motion, items numbered 2, 3, 5, and 6, of the foregoing Report, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Fogg presented Memorials of the late Rev. E. E. Johnson, the Rev. Dr. Deshon, and Mr. O. S. Seymour, LL.D., of the Diocese of Connecticut; Mr. McWhorter presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Ayrault, of the Diocese of Central New York; the Rev. Mr. Tupper presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Mr. Trimble of the Diocese of Arkansas: all of which Memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

The Rev. Dr. Runcie presented, from the Convention of the Diocese of Missouri, a Memorial on the subject of marriage; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)

The Rev. Mr. Scott presented, from the Diocese of Indiana, a Memorial, and accompanying papers, on the subject of Church work amongst the coloured race; which, on his motion, were referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The same gentleman offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 14, Section vii., be amended by adding thereto, after Sub-section vii. thereof, the following clause or sub-section:—

[8.] The House of Deputies may from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable coloured person or persons, to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any State or Territory or Diocese, or any part of such State, Territory, or Diocese, among the coloured inhabitants thereof. All the provisions, conditions, and limitations of Section vii. of this Canon and of each Sub-section thereof, as to the mode and evidence of election, the exercise of Episcopal functions, the extent of jurisdiction, vacancies, jurisdiction over the Clergy and the mode of exercising it, privileges, powers, and reports, shall apply to the coloured Missionary Bishops, except that, in Dioceses already organized, the Diocesan Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in such Diocese.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 251.)

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman presented a Memorial from sundry Presbyters and Laymen, praying for a change in the Canons relating to the testimonials of Candidates for Holy Orders; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)

The Rev. Dr. Gibson presented a resolution, adopted by the Council of the Diocese of Virginia, on the subject of a Sunday-school Hymnal; to which was appended the following resolution, both of which were, on his motion, referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:—

*Resolved*, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to prepare a Hymnal for our Sunday schools, and to report the same to the General Convention of 1886.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 187.)

The Rev. Dr. Fulton offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 8 of the Constitution be amended by striking out all the words standing between "Prayer" in the tenth line, and "shall" in the twelfth line, and inserting the following words, viz.:—

"Unless a majority of all the Bishops, entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and a majority of both Orders in the Deputations from the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, shall have first approved and allowed the same for use during a term of three years at least; after which every such addition or alteration."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 180.)

The Rev. Dr. Adams offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:—

*Resolved*, That, at some time previous to the first meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the Convention, with such assistance as he can procure, shall settle by lot the seating of this House.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 218.)

The Rev. Mr. Tupper offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:—

*Resolved*, That in all editions of the Book of Common Prayer, hereafter to be published, Title II., Canon 13, Section ii., being part of the Canon relating to Marriage and Divorce, be inserted before the rubrics at the beginning of the Form of Solemnization of Matrimony.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 186.)

An invitation from the University Club, extending the hospitalities of its house to the members of the Convention, was read by the President, and, on motion, was accepted, with the thanks of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops, as the Board of Missions.

(For Report, see p. 448.)

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## SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 9, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Birdsall, and the Rev. Dr. Rankine.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Western Michigan.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats:—

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Coit, of New Hampshire; Mr. Bond, of Alabama; Messrs. Meads and Keese, of Albany; Mr. Lamber-ton, of Central Pennsylvania; Mr. Kent, of Kansas; Mr. Hunt, of Louisiana; Mr. Bennett, of Massachusetts; Mr. Richardson, of Texas; and Mr. Chambers, delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Oregon.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President read an invitation from the "Association of Directors of the Poor of Pennsylvania," to the members of the House, to attend a public meeting of the Association, October 9.

On motion, the invitation was accepted, with the thanks of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Elections would report, that the proper credentials have been received for the following Supplementary Delegates to take the place of those unable to attend:—

Mr. E. C. Hurd, of the Diocese of Alabama, in place of Dr. Peter Bryce.

The Rev. John Bennett, of the Diocese of Kansas, in place of the Rev. T. W. Barry.

Mr. Joseph W. Fuller, of the Diocese of Albany, in place of Mr. Erastus Corning.

Capt. Cass Durham, U.S.A., of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Montana, in place of Mr. Daniel Marshall;

These names have been given to the Secretary, and will be entered on the roll.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Whereupon the Rev. Mr. Bennett, and Messrs. Hurd and Durham, appeared, and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. Brown, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina, adopted:—

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Deputation from the Diocese of North Carolina, representing that they have been instructed by the Convention of their Diocese to ask the consent of the General Convention to the erection, within the limits of the present Diocese of North Carolina, of a new Diocese, to consist of certain territory lying east of a boundary-line named in said Memorial, respectfully report:—

WHEREAS, From documentary evidence submitted to this Committee, to wit:—

1. A certified copy of the action of the Diocese of North Carolina in Convention held at Charlotte, May 23, 1883, declaring such division, with vote thereon designated, and boundary-line defined;

2. The letter of consent from the Bishop of North Carolina;

3. A paper certifying that the proposed new Diocese will contain at least thirty-eight Parishes, and that there have been canonically resident for one year therein the required number of Presbyters regularly settled in a Parish, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and that there remain in the old more than twelve Presbyters;

4. A paper showing that the income of the new Diocese may be reasonably and confidently relied on to supply a suitable provision for the Episcopate in the same, from the division of the present *Permanent Episcopal Fund*, which now yields, per annum, more than \$2,500, and from assessments, making the prospective income \$3,427.06 for the year; and

WHEREAS, It is thus found that Article 5 of the Constitution is complied with: therefore

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of the House of Deputies be and is hereby given to the erection of the proposed new Diocese within the present Diocese of North Carolina.

JOHN W. BROWN, *for the Committee.*



The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, severally adopted:—

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred a Memorial from the Bishop and Deputies to this Convention, from the Diocese of Illinois, and also two resolutions, all relating to a proposed change of the name of such Diocese to "The Diocese of Chicago," respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the resolutions referred to them, with an amendment, as follows:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of this Convention is hereby granted to the Diocese of Illinois, to change its name to that of "The Diocese of Chicago."

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That, if such change of name shall be made by such Diocese, and the Convention of said Diocese shall cause notification thereof to be made to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, said Diocese shall thereafter be known, and recognized by the General Convention, as "The Diocese of Chicago."

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The Secretary having asked permission to appoint an additional assistant, on motion of Mr. Sheffey, permission was granted; whereupon the Secretary appointed the Rev. Mr. Stilson of Iowa as Fourth Assistant Secretary, and, on motion, the appointment was confirmed.

Mr. Shattuck, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following Report from the Committee to audit the Accounts of the Treasurer:—

REPORT No. 2.

We have examined and audited the accounts of Mr. Lloyd W. Wells, Treasurer, and find them correct; the items of receipt and expenditure being sustained by proper vouchers. The receipts were \$10,585.75; and expenditures, \$9,986.12; leaving a balance on hand of \$599.63.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. M. NELSON, *for the Committee*.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, from the Committee on Expenses, Mr. Lloyd W. Wells of New York was re-elected Treasurer of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, from the same Committee, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the House be authorized to print such Reports of the Committee on Canons as recommend changes in the Canons.

On motion of Mr. Atwater, the resolution was re-committed to the Committee, with instructions to report at an early day.

Mr. Meigs presented the Report of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. (See p. 266.)

(For the Report, see Appendix III.)

Mr. Nash, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution proposing an Amendment of Article 8 of the Constitution, respectfully report, that, having duly considered the same, they are of the opinion that the proposed amendment is open to serious objection; and they recommend that it be not proposed to the Convention.

S. P. NASH,

*For the Committee.*

(For consideration of the Report, see p. 239.)

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee on arranging a meeting of the members of the two Houses of the Convention for social intercourse, presented the following Report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, severally adopted:—

The Joint Committee appointed to arrange the time and place for the proposed meeting of the members of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies, for social intercourse, beg leave respectfully to report, that they recommend to-day (Tuesday), between the hours of two and three, as the time, and the drawing-rooms of the Aldine Hotel as the place, for such meeting.

They therefore offer the following resolutions for adoption:—

*Resolved*, That to-day (Tuesday), from the hour of two to three o'clock, be the time, and the drawing-rooms of the Aldine Hotel be the place, for the proposed meeting of the members of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies, for the interchange of friendly greetings.

*Resolved*, That the acknowledgments of this General Convention be conveyed to the proprietors of the Aldine Hotel for their courteous proffer of their rooms for the occasion; and that the Secretary of the House of Deputies be requested to convey to them this expression of our feeling.

GEORGE WHITE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Williams presented a Memorial of the late Mr. Jenkins, of the Diocese of Georgia; Mr. Wilmer presented a Memorial of the late Mr. Wyman, of the Diocese of Maryland; Mr. Johnson presented a Memorial of the late Mr. Randall, of the same Diocese; Mr. Baldwin presented a Memorial of the late Mr. Trowbridge, of the Diocese of Michigan: all of which Memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

The Rev. Dr. Franklin offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:—

*Resolved*, That "the Prayer of Humble Access" be restored to its proper place in the Liturgy, between the Prayer of Consecration and the Distribution.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 193.)

The same gentleman offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church :—

WHEREAS, It is important that the Clergy should keep abreast with the current thought of the age, therefore

*Resolved*, That this Convention recommend that the theological schools make special and efficient provision for instruction in philosophy in its bearings upon Christian theology.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 224.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina presented a series of Canons on Ordination; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)

The Rev. Dr. Porter presented an Account of a Conference on the relation of the Church to the coloured people of the South, held at Sewanee, Tenn., July 25–28, 1883; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 251.)

Mr. Whittle offered the following resolutions, which, with an accompanying Memorial from S. Stephen's Parish, Savannah, were referred to the Committee on Canons :—

*Resolved*, That the Church in the late Slave States fully recognizes the duty resting upon it, not only as a Church, but also as resting upon its individual members, to take immediate steps to do all that can be done, in the straitened financial condition of the South, to elevate the spiritual condition of the late slaves and their descendants.

*Resolved*, That, after thorough consideration and discussion, this Convention is of the opinion that this great desideratum can be best attained by each Diocese organizing its own mode of carrying on this work.

*Resolved*, That the Bishops are respectfully requested to prepare an address, to be presented to the next General Convention, asking it to supply, from the Missionary or other funds, larger amounts of money, to be applied to this purpose.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 191.)

The Rev. Dr. Gray presented resolutions adopted at the Joint Conference of the coloured Clergy held in New York, in September, 1883, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 191.)

The Rev. Dr. Thrall offered the following amendments to Title I., Canon 6, "Of the Ordination of Deacons," which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons: —

To Section iv., [1.], add the following words after "Standing Committee:" "or with their consent."

Add a new section to the same Canon, as follows: —

§ viii. If the ordination of a Deacon takes place by consent of the Standing Committee, the consent may be either special or general, as follows: —

When for reasons not affecting the personal character, faith, or acquirements of a Candidate, the Standing Committee is not able to recommend a Candidate for the office of a Deacon, they may yet state the fact, and consent to his ordination upon the correctness of his certificate and testimonial addressed to them.

Upon the request of the Bishop of the Diocese, where there are peculiar needs to be met, the Standing Committee may give a general consent to the ordination of Deacons for special work, without further recourse to them.

But in all such cases the Bishop must, prior to the ordination of any Candidate for Deacon's Orders, receive the recommendation required in behalf of the Candidate in Section iv., [2.], signed by three Presbyters and twelve Communicants, and also the personal testimonials required in. [4].

He must also have passed satisfactorily the examinations required in Canon 4, Section iii., [1.], [2.], [3.], [4.], of Candidates for the office of Deacon only.

At the time of his ordination, he must be not less than twenty-five years of age; and except so far as pertains to the office of a Deacon as set forth in the Ordinal, and in Canon 7, "Of Deacons," he shall be subject to such further restrictions as are or may be provided for Candidates for Holy Orders by the Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocesan Convention in the Diocese where he is resident.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)

The Rev. Mr. Vaulx offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons: —

*Resolved*, That to Title I., Canon 22, Section i., be added the following: "Provided, This Canon be not understood to forbid Ministers at Mission-Stations using such services taken from the Book of Common Prayer as they in their discretion may think proper."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 125.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the first three Reports of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops were taken from the Calendar, and made the Order of the Day for Thursday next, at 11 A.M.

(For the consideration of the Reports, see p. 194.)

The Rev. Mr. Haskins offered the following preamble and resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Education under the Auspices and Control of the Protestant Episcopal Church: —

WHEREAS, For eighteen years this Church has been informed, by Committees appointed for the purpose in six successive General Conventions, of the paramount importance and imperative need of some organized system of education under the auspices and control of the Church; and

WHEREAS, This Church, believing that a confession of duty is equivalent to a command to fulfil it; and having, through the blessing and favour of God, now reached a stage in her existence, and a condition of long-continued prosperity, when she ought to be able to formulate and put into execution a system of education worthy of her responsibility and her Lord: therefore

*Resolved*, That a Board be organized, called the "*Church School-Board*," duly incorporated by law, with a capital of \$100,000,000, having for its object the establishment and maintenance of a uniform system of schools throughout the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions of this Church.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Education under the Auspices and Control of the Church are hereby instructed to ascertain, and report to this House, what legal steps are requisite to organize and incorporate such a Board, and also to present a rough draft of some system of education, as indicated in the foregoing preamble.

*Resolved*, That the Committee be requested to report on Thursday, October 18, at eleven o'clock A.M., at which time this matter be made the Order of the Day.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 235.)

On motion of Mr. Fish, the Report of the Committee on Rules of Order (see p.170) was taken from the Calendar.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Thrall, the second resolution was amended by substituting the words "both amendments," for the words "the whole."

On motion, the resolution thus amended was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Taylor offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons:—

WHEREAS, In the opinion of very many of the Clergy and Laity of the Church, it is not expedient that Candidates for Holy Orders not having had Episcopal ordination should be admitted to Deacon's orders within a period of less than one year after their admission to Candidateship: therefore

*Resolved*, That the whole matter of the duration of Candidateship of Ministers not having Episcopal ordination, and applying for Holy Orders in this Church, be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report whether, in their judgment, it is expedient to so amend the provisions of the Canons touching this subject, as to provide for a longer period of candidateship, in any case not to be less than one year, before the conferring of Deacon's Orders upon such candidates.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)

The following Message was received:—



PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 6th day of the Session,  
October 9, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 4.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

That the House of Deputies be respectfully requested to return Message No. 2 from the House of Bishops; it having been communicated to the House of Deputies by an inadvertence.

Attest:

W. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

On motion of Mr. Sheffey, the House acceded to the request of the House of Bishops, contained in the foregoing Message.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Richards, it was

*Resolved*, That Report No. 2 of the Committee on Canons, relating to the tentative use of alterations in the Book of Common Prayer, be taken from the Calendar, and made the Order of the Day for Monday, October 15, at twelve o'clock.

(For further consideration, see p. 220.)

The Rev. Mr. Prescott offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

*Resolved*, That the following Canon be enacted, to be entitled Canon 6, of Title III., "*Of Organized Religious Societies within the Church.*"

§ i. All organized Religious Bodies in this Church, of which the avowed object is the increase of holy living and of good works, and of which the members are in any manner set apart and specially dedicated to such object, are hereby declared bound to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church, to give due recognition and submission to its constituted authorities, and are required to have the written approval and consent of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Religious Body exists.

§ ii. A Religious Society having received the approval and consent of the Bishop, its constitution and rules shall be unalterable except by the joint act of the Bishop and the Society.

§ iii. Persons of approved fitness may be set apart and dedicated as members of such Religious Societies in such form and manner as shall be approved by the Bishop.

§ iv. No Religious Society in a Diocese may undertake any organized work in any other Diocese without the express authority of the Bishop of that Diocese, nor within the limits of any Parish without the consent of the Rector of such Parish.

§ v. No member of any Religious Society shall be sent for work into any Diocese without the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese; and if such member be in Holy Orders, and the work one which requires Episcopal recognition, he shall also have the written consent of the superior officer of the Religious Society to which he belongs; and such written consent shall be regarded as equivalent to a dispensation, for the time being, from all obligations of obedience to such superior officer.

§ vi. In event of grave difficulties arising between a member or members of a Religious Society and the authorities of the society, an appeal shall lie from the Society itself in Chapter or Council, to the Bishop of the Diocese; and the judgment of the Bishop, acting with the advice of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall be final.

§ vii. 1. It is hereby declared, that the Bishop of the Diocese is to be regarded as the common father, in God, of all spiritual persons within his



jurisdiction; and as such he may, for sufficient cause, dispense from all obligations to any society in his Diocese any member of such society, such dispensation being granted according to the constitution and rules of the society.

2. Where a change in the constitution or rules is proposed, or a difficulty is to be arranged, or an appeal is to be heard, the Bishop may summon the Society to meet him in Chapter or Council; but his judgment shall be given in writing.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 203.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

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### SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY, October 10, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Tschiffely and the Rev. Mr. Randall. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Central New York.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats: —

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel, of Virginia; Mr. Griffin, of New Hampshire; Mr. Granger, of Southern Ohio; and the Rev. Mr. Walker and Mr. Stricker, delegates from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Niobrara.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following Message was received: —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 6th day of the Session,  
October 9, 1883.

#### MESSAGE No. 5.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Standing Committees of each House be authorized to meet with the Standing Committees of the other House, on the same subject, as a joint Committee.

Attest:

W. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report: —

#### REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received for the Rev. Mahlon N. Gilbert, Supplementary Delegate

from the Diocese of Minnesota, in place of the Rev. D. B. Knickerbacker, who has leave; and for the Rev. B. F. Cooley, Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota, in place of Rev. Melancthon Hoyt, who has leave of absence for the remainder of the session. These names have been given to the Secretary, and will be entered on the roll.

Leave of absence has also been granted, for the remainder of the session, to Mr. John S. Davison, Diocese of Georgia.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Whereupon the Rev. Messrs. Gilbert and Cooley appeared, and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. Harwood, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, severally adopted.

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred this resolution, viz.: "*Resolved*, That the Constitution be amended by striking out the words 'Protestant Episcopal' wherever they occur," beg leave respectfully to report that they have duly considered the same, and they offer the following resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That the amendment proposed by striking out the words "Protestant Episcopal" wheresoever they occur, in the Constitution, is inexpedient.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By unanimous order, for the Committee.

EDWIN HARWOOD.

Mr. Smith, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Hills of New Jersey, proposing an amendment of the First Article of the Constitution by substituting for the words "General Convention" the words "Triennial Council," respectfully report, that, having carefully considered the same, they have come to the conclusion that the proposed amendment is inexpedient, and therefore offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All of which, by the unanimous order of the Committee, is respectfully submitted.

JAMES M. SMITH, *for the Committee.*

The Rev. Dr. Payne, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution, that in all editions of the Book of Common Prayer, hereafter to be pub-

lished, Title II., Canon 13, Section ii., being part of the Canon relating to marriage and divorce, be inserted before the rubrics at the beginning of the Form of Solemnization of Matrimony, having considered the same, deem the proposed introduction of the Canon on Marriage and Divorce into the Office for the Solemnization of Matrimony unadvisable, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM PAYNE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar : —

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Virginia asking the General Convention to appoint a Committee on Sunday-school hymns, so that a uniform hymnal, having the approval of the General Church as to doctrine and language, be within the reach of all our Sunday schools, thus insuring to us a pure form of worship for the children of the Church, having considered the same, have adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That for the present the hymns in use in the Sunday schools of the Church should be left to the regulation of the Bishops of our respective Dioceses.

Also *Resolved*, That the Committee on the Prayer Book be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM PAYNE, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 243.)

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, from the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members, offered the following resolution, which was adopted : —

*Resolved*, That the Deputations of the several Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions be requested to ascertain if any of their Deputies of the last and present Conventions have deceased; and, if so, to prepare short and suitable Memorials of the same, and present them as soon as possible, that the Standing Committee on such Memorials may be able to make an early report for the action of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Wakefield presented Memorials of the late Mr. W. H. Morrison and Mr. John B. Howe, of the Diocese of Indiana; which Memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

The Rev. Mr. Prescott presented a Memorial from the Council of the Diocese of Fond du Lac, on the subject of Federate Councils; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the report of the Committee, see p. 285.)

The Rev. Dr. Wakefield presented a Memorial from the Council

of the Diocese of Indiana, on the subject of the work of Evangelists ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

(For the report of the Committee, see p. 224.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Richards, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members be instructed to consider the expediency of omitting from their Memorials all record but the simple facts in the life of the member deceased.

The Rev. Dr. Dix presented the Fourth Triennial Report of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

(For the Report, see Appendix V.)

Mr. Sheffey presented, from the Council of the Diocese of Virginia, certain resolutions relating, (1) to the proposed amendment of the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer ; (2) to the Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergy, and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy ; and (3) to the Expenses of Bishops and Deputies of the General Convention : which resolutions were severally referred, (1) to the Committee on the Prayer Book, (2) to the Committee on the State of the Church, and (3) to the Committee on Expenses.

The Rev. Dr. Giesy presented a resolution of the Convention of the Diocese of Connecticut, relating to an amendment of the Canon on the registry, etc., of Communicants ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 290.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the propriety of so altering the Canon on the Missionary Episcopate, as to allow the Missionary Bishop to become, by his own option, the Diocesan of any Diocese that may be erected out of his jurisdiction.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 203.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hare, the resolution making the Report of the Committee on the Lectionary the Order of the Day for to-day at twelve o'clock was rescinded.

Mr. Fisher offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons : —

*Resolved*, That Title III., Canon 5, be amended by adding to Section ii. thereof the following as Sub-section [4.]:—

No person shall be eligible as a Warden of any Parish who is not a Communicant of this Church; nor shall any one be qualified to act as a member of any Vestry until he shall have subscribed to, and filed with the Clerk of such Parish, a declaration in writing, that he will in all things conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of this Church.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 203.)

Mr. Judd offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 8, "Authorizing the Formation of a Federate Convention or Council of the Dioceses within any State," be amended by adding thereto the following provision, to be numbered as Section ii., the present Canon to be numbered as Section i., viz.:—

§ ii. When the General Convention has given its approval to any powers to be exercised by the Federate Convention or Council of the Dioceses within the limits of any State, any other Federate Convention or Council of the Dioceses within the limits of any other State may exercise the same powers without waiting for a fresh approval of the General Convention.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 285.)

The Rev. Mr. Marks offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 11, be amended so as to read as follows:—

#### CANON 11.

##### *Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.*

§ i. [1.] When a Deacon or Priest, ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, desires to be admitted into the same as a Minister thereof, such person must give notice of his desire to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he may be resident; stating, (1) whether he has applied for admission in any other Diocese, and (2) the ground and reasons of his desire, and (3) furnishing authentic evidence of his ordination and of his standing in the communion to which he has belonged.

[2.] With the aforesaid notice of desire must be forwarded a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the party, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

[3.] If, on receipt of such notice and certificate, the Bishop authorize further procedure, the applicant shall apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation, in order to which he must lay before the Committee,—

[1.] His Letters of Orders, or other sufficient proof of his ordination;

[2.] A Testimonial from at least twelve members of the communion from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, in part of the communion from which he comes, and in part of this Church, satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the applicant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

[3.] A Testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the applicant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

[4.] The Standing Committee, on receipt of such Testimonials, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Committee consenting, proceed to recommend the applicant to the Bishop for admission to the Ministry of this Church.

§ ii. When the applicant has been recommended by the Standing Committee, the Bishop, with the assistance of the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, shall examine him as to his theological acquirements, and especially on those points in which the communion from which he comes differs from this Church; and the applicant shall also, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article VII. of the Constitution, which being done, the Bishop may receive him as a Minister of this Church: *Provided*, That said subscription, and admission to the Ministry of this Church, shall not take place within twelve months from the date of his original application to the Bishop.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 250.)

Mr. Nash offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:—

*Resolved*, That Article 8 of the Constitution be amended by inserting, in lieu of the paragraph beginning "No alterations," etc., the following:—

No alteration or addition to the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church or the Articles of Religion, shall be made, except in the mode provided for alteration of this Constitution: *Provided*, however, That, after any alteration or addition shall have been duly proposed in General Convention, and ordered to be made known to the several Dioceses, the House of Bishops may authorize the use of said proposed alterations and additions, or any of them, until the ensuing General Convention.

And that Article 9 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:—

ARTICLE 9. This Constitution shall be unalterable, except as follows: Amendments shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and, if then approved, shall be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions; and the ensuing General Convention shall then have power to amend or modify the alterations proposed, and to act finally upon the same.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 233.)

The following Message was received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 6th day of the Session,  
October 9, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 6.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to act with a Committee of the House of Deputies as a Joint Committee on Expenses.



The members of this House appointed as such Committee are the Bishops of Missouri, Wisconsin, and New Jersey.

Attest:

W. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

The Secretary read a communication from the Bishop of Fredericton, Metropolitan of Canada, announcing the presence in the city of a Deputation from the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada to the General Convention; whereupon, on motion, the hour of 10.45 A.M. to-morrow was fixed upon as the time of the reception of said Deputation.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Elliott and Mr. Ingalls to wait upon the Deputation, and escort it to the House.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the Secretary read a communication from Mr. Thomas Clyde, inviting the members of the House to a harbor-excursion on Friday afternoon, October 19; which invitation was, on motion, accepted, with the thanks of the House.

The President appointed Mr. Forsyth and Mr. Memminger a Committee to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund. (For Report of Committee, see pp. 200. 522.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which, was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on Canons have had under consideration the Mémorial of the Rector and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, in respect to the Testimonials to be produced by Postulants; and they respectfully report, that, in their opinion, it is proper that every person desiring to be admitted as a Postulant should produce the Testimonials as to his fitness for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry, from the personal knowledge and belief of at least one Presbyter and four Lay Communicants, as provided for by the Canon; and they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred a resolution offered by Mr. Whittle of Georgia, in the Conference held at Sewanee in July last, and the resolutions adopted by the Conference of the Coloured Clergy, held

in New York in September last, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the resolution presented by Mr. Whittle of Georgia in the Conference at Sewanee, and the resolutions adopted by the Conference of Coloured Clergy, held in New York; and that they be referred to the Standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 11, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp and the Rev. Dr. Drowne. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Quincy.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 7th day of the Session,  
October 10, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs in Message No. 4, of the House of Deputies, consenting to the transfer of the County of Manitou from the Diocese of Michigan to the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 7th day of the Session,  
October 10, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 8.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs in Message No. 5, of the House of Deputies, consenting to the proposed change of name by the Diocese of Illinois.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

### REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on Elections would report, that leave of absence for the remainder of the session has been granted to Mr. E. D. Farrar, Diocese of

Mississippi; Mr. H. F. Simrall, Diocese of Mississippi; Mr. Charles Dewey, Diocese of Vermont. The proper credentials have been received for Mr. George C. Nightingale, Diocese of Rhode Island, in place of Mr. Augustus O. Bourne, unable to attend. This name has been given to the Secretary, and will be called on the roll.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

Whereupon Mr. Nightingale appeared, and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Benedict, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar: —

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution respectfully report, that they have had under consideration the resolution offered by Rev. Dr. Adams, of the Diocese of Wisconsin, proposing an amendment in Article 2 of the Constitution, changing the word *four* to three; so that it will read, "Such representation shall not consist of more than *three* Clergymen and three Laymen," etc. Your Committee cannot report that in their judgment the proposed amendment is expedient, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

SAMUEL BENEDICT, *Chairman pro tem*.

(For the consideration of this Report, see p. 270.)

The Rev. Dr. Payne, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted: —

REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution that "the Prayer of Humble Access" be restored to its proper place in the Liturgy, between the Prayer of Consecration and the Distribution, having had the resolution under consideration, offer the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Prayer Book do not at this time recommend the change proposed, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of it.

WILLIAM PAYNE, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Mr. Bancroft presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Schetky, of the Diocese of Western Michigan, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Dafter, it was

*Resolved*, That the accompanying papers be referred to the Committee on Canons, with instructions to consider the expediency of so amending Title II., Canon 9, entitled "On the Trial of a Bishop," as to allow any Presbyterian of this Church who considers himself to have been wronged by his Bishop, to demand an inquiry, even when the charges are signed only by the party who considers himself to have been wronged, and by himself alone.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 227.)

The Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Education, etc. : —

WHEREAS, There is an expressed need of an authorized system of Bible instruction for the children of our Sunday schools, and of helps for the greater efficiency of the teachers of the same, therefore

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Education take the matter into their consideration, as to some action by this Convention, that may secure the wisdom and experience of competent persons, in supplying such aids for the teachers and scholars.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 235.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stansbury, it was referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the expediency of the following amendment of Title II., Canon 4, Section ii. : —

After "reasons," to read, "involving error in doctrine, viciousness of life, or persistent neglect of duty, on the part of Rector or Minister."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 227.)

The Rev. Dr. Elliott, from the Committee appointed for the purpose, presented to the President, who introduced to the House, a Deputation from the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada. The Most Rev. John Medley, D.D., Bishop of Fredericton, and Metropolitan of Canada; the Very Rev. Maurice S. Baldwin, D.D., Dean of Montreal; the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, M.A., Rector of Trinity Church, St. John, New Brunswick; the Hon. J. B. Plumb, of Niagara, Senator of Canada; James A. Henderson, Q.C., D.C.L., of Kingston, Ontario, Chancellor of the Diocese of Ontario; and R. W. Heneker, Esq., D.C.L., of Sherbrooke, Diocese of Quebec, — composing the deputation, briefly addressed the House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton, it was

*Resolved*, That the members of the Deputation from our Sister Church in Canada be invited to be present at the sessions of this body, and that a seat at the right hand of the President be provided for the Lord Bishop of Fredericton, whenever he shall be pleased to accept this invitation.

The Order of the Day having been called for, the House went into secret session.

The President having led the House in prayer, the House proceeded to the consideration of Report No. 1, of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, recommending the approval of the testimonials of the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., as Assist-

ant Bishop elect of Virginia, with the Minority Report of the same Committee.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 173; for Minority Report, see p. 174.)

Mr. Sheffey moved the adoption of the first resolution appended to the Report. The question being taken on the adoption of the resolution, the Clerical Delegation from Springfield called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy, there were 48 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 43; nays, 2; divided, 3.

Of the Laity, there were 45 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 42; nays, 1; divided, 2.

#### DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

##### CLERICAL VOTE.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Drs. Stringfellow and Banister, and the Rev. Mr. Beard. — *Aye*.

ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Payne, Battershall, Harison, and Morrison. — *Aye*.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Vaulx, and Stout. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Birdsall, Chetwood, and Spalding, and the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Van Deusen, Brainard, Egar, and Goodrich. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Knight and Orrick, and the Rev. Messrs. Leverett and Jones. — *Aye*.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Drs. Beardsley, Harwood, and Giesy. — *Aye*.  
The Rev. Mr. Fogg. — *Nay*.

DELAWARE. — The Rev. Messrs. Douglass, Littell, and Gordon. — *Aye*.

EASTON. — The Rev. Drs. Dashiell, Barton, Barber, and Wilson. — *Aye*.

FLORIDA. — The Rev. Drs. Weller, Scott, and Carter, and the Rev. Mr. Thackara. — *Aye*.

GEORGIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Boone and Pond. — *Aye*.

ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Dr. Locke, and the Rev. Messrs. Sweet and Knowles. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Vibbert. — *Nay*.

INDIANA. — The Rev. Dr. Wakefield, and the Rev. Messrs. Reeves, Scott, and Faudé. — *Aye*.

IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Messrs. Van Antwerp, Stilson, and Trimble. — *Aye*.

KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Messrs. Ellerby, Bennett, and Holden. — *Aye*.

KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Drs. Tidball and Perkins, and the Rev. Messrs. Minnigerode and Tschiffely. — *Aye*.

LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Schenck, Drowne, and Snively. — *Aye*.

MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hutton, Elliott, Leeds, and Lewin. — *Aye*.

MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Mr. Converse, and the Rev. Drs. Lambert and Huntington. — *Aye*.

MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Worthington, and the Rev. Messrs. Brewster and Clark. — *Aye*.

MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson and Hawley, and the Rev. Messrs. Thomas and Gilbert. — *Aye.*

MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Messrs. Marks, Munford, and Logan. — *Aye.*

MISSOURI. — The Rev. Drs. Fulton and Runcie, and the Rev. Messrs. Robert and Talbot. — *Aye.*

NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Messrs. Doherty and Shaw, and the Rev. Dr. McNamara. — *Aye.*

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Dr. Coit, and the Rev. Messrs. Sears, Smith, and Roberts. — *Aye.*

NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Hills and Langford. — *Aye.* The Rev. Dr. Franklin. — *Nay.*

NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Beach and Shipman. — *Aye.*

NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson, Huske, and Marshall, and the Rev. Mr. Hughes. — *Aye.*

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Abercrombie and Farrington, and the Rev. Messrs. Stansbury and Moffett. — *Aye.*

OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Rulison, Bodine, Atwill, and the Rev. Mr. Osborne. — *Aye.*

PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Hare, Goodwin, Davies, and McVickar. — *Aye.*

QUINCY. — The Rev. Messrs. Shrimpton, Haskins, and Wilkinson. — *Aye.* The Rev. Mr. Rudd. — *Nay.*

RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Greer, Richards, and Henshaw, and the Rev. Mr. Magill. — *Aye.*

SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Messrs. McCollough, Capers, and Johnson, and the Rev. Dr. Porter. — *Aye.*

SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Benedict and Bates, and the Rev. Messrs. Webster and Stanger. — *Aye.*

SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Messrs. Dresser, Taylor, and Davenport. — *Aye.*

TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Gray, and the Rev. Messrs. Fitts and Sneed. — *Aye.*

TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rogers, Bird, and Benners. — *Aye.* The Rev. Mr. Rucker. — *Nay.*

VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Norton, Hanckel, and Peterkin. — *Aye.*

WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Cobbs, Leavell, and Mason. — *Aye.*

WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Corbett, and the Rev. Messrs. Burford, Cook, and Bancroft. — *Aye.*

WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Anstice, Brown, Rankine, and Doty. — *Aye.*

WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Drs. Adams and Ashley, and the Rev. Messrs. Pradt and Ten Broeck. — *Aye.*

#### LAY VOTE.

ALABAMA. — Messrs. Bond, Buell, and Hurd. — *Aye.*

ALBANY. — Messrs. Forsyth and Keese. — *Aye.*

ARKANSAS. — Mr. McCracken. — *Aye.*

CALIFORNIA. — Mr. Stephens. — *Aye.*

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. McWhorter, Gardner, and Moss. — *Aye.*

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Coppée and Baldy. — *Aye.*

CONNECTICUT. — Messrs. Harrison, Stark, Minor, and Russell. — *Aye.*

DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis, Bates, and Burr. — *Aye.*

EASTON. — Messrs. Adkins, Goldsborough, and Mackall. — *Aye.*

FLORIDA. — Mr. Fairbanks. — *Aye.*

GEORGIA. — Messrs. Whittle and Guerard. — *Aye.*

INDIANA. — Messrs. Irwin, Martin, and Kiersted. — *Aye.*



- IOWA. — Messrs. Bever and Mallory. — *Aye*.  
 KANSAS. — Messrs. Kent and Buck. — *Aye*.  
 KENTUCKY. — Messrs. Cornwall, Stevenson, and Robinson. — *Aye*.  
 LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. Pierrepont, Gilbert, and Nicoll. — *Aye*. Mr. King. — *Nay*.  
 MAINE. — Messrs. Bridge and Gardiner. — *Aye*.  
 MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, Abert, and Wilmer. — *Aye*.  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Shattuck, Bennett, and Davis. — *Aye*.  
 MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Baldwin, Eaton, Minor, and Pittman. — *Aye*.  
 MINNESOTA. — Messrs. Wilder and Dawson. — *Aye*. Mr. Atwater. — *Nay*.  
 MISSISSIPPI. — Mr. Bailey. — *Aye*.  
 MISSOURI. — Messrs. Bascome and Triplett. — *Aye*.  
 NEBRASKA. — Mr. Metcalf. — *Aye*.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Griffin. — *Aye*.  
 NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Pugh and Conover. — *Aye*. Mr. Hance. — *Nay*.  
 NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fish, Nash, and Tracy. — *Aye*.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. DeRosset, Henderson, and Atkinson. — *Aye*.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Meigs, Mills, and Hicks. — *Aye*.  
 OHIO. — Mr. Delano. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Harrison and Coffin. — *Aye*. Mr. Merrick. — *Nay*.  
 QUINCY. — Mr. Wilkinson. — *Aye*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — Messrs. Nightingale and Dorrance. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. McCrady, Smith, and Memminger. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Messrs. Stettinius, Granger, and McGuffey. — *Aye*.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — Messrs. Quinlan, Candee, Davis, and Burrows. — *Aye*.  
 TEXAS. — Mr. Jackson. — *Aye*.  
 VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Sheffey and Taylor. — *Aye*.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — Messrs. White, Broun, McCandlish, and Rogers. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Mr. Robinson. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fisher and Worthington. — *Aye*. Mr. Macomb. — *Nay*.  
 WISCONSIN. — Messrs. Reigart, Paul, and Wells. — *Aye*.

### DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

#### CLERICAL VOTE.

- FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Dafter, Prescott, and Wright. — *Nay*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Vernor. — *Aye*.  
 MAINE. — The Rev. Mr. Upjohn and the Rev. Dr. Fiske. — *Nay*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Leffingwell. — *Aye*.

#### LAY VOTE.

- ILLINOIS. — Messrs. Judd and Tilden. — *Nay*. Mr. Stahl. — *Aye*.

### DIOCESSES DIVIDED.

#### CLERICAL VOTE.

- LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Girault and Waters. — *Aye*. The Rev. Drs. Percival and Dalzell. — *Nay*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Dr. Purdon and the Rev. Mr. Vincent. — *Aye*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Earp and the Rev. Mr. Carstensen. — *Nay*.  
 VERMONT. — The Rev. Mr. Smith. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Collins. — *Nay*.

## LAY VOTE.

PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. Hay and Smith. — *Aye*. Messrs. Shoenberger and Church. — *Nay*.

VERMONT. — Mr. Nichols. — *Aye*. Mr. Edmunds. — *Nay*.

The resolution was accordingly adopted.

The consideration of the second resolution appended to the same Report having, on motion, been postponed, the House proceeded to the consideration of Report No. 2 of the same Committee, recommending the approval of the testimonials of the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., as Assistant Bishop elect of New York.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 173.)

On motion, the first resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The consideration of the second resolution appended to the same Report having been postponed, the House proceeded to the consideration of Report No. 3 of the same Committee, recommending the approval of the testimonials of the Rev. David B. Knickerbacker, D.D., as Bishop elect of Indiana.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 173.)

On motion, the first resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution of the three Reports were severally adopted.

The following Message was received: —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 8th day of the Session,  
October 11, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 9.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in Message No. 6 of the House of Deputies, giving consent to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the Diocese of North Carolina, for the reasons that it has not satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese, and that it does not consider the erection of such Diocese to be expedient at this time.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina asked for a Committee of Conference on the subject of the foregoing Message, which, on his motion, was granted.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 269.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

## NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 12, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Scott and the Rev. Dr. Marshall. The Benediction was pronounced by the Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats : —

Mr. Comstock, of Central New York; and the Rev. Mr. Watson, delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Washington Territory.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Reports : —

## REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received for Mr. Edward S. Martin, Diocese of Delaware, to take the place of Mr. Henry Ridgely, unable to attend. The Secretary will call his name on the roll.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session has been granted to Mr. Thomas L. Broun, Diocese of West Virginia, and to the Rev. L. Sears, Diocese of New Hampshire.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

## REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received for Mr. F. H. Winston, Diocese of Illinois, to take the place of Mr. M. W. Fuller, excused; and for the Rev. E. A. Renouf, Diocese of New Hampshire, to take the place of Rev. L. Sears, who has leave.

Leave of absence has been granted to Mr. P. P. Bailey, Diocese of Mississippi, for the remainder of the session. This leaves that Diocese without Lay representation.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

Whereupon the Rev. Mr. Renouf of New Hampshire, Mr. Martin of Delaware, and Mr. Winston of Illinois, appeared, and took their seats.

The President appointed Mr. Keese, of Albany, on the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, in place of Mr. Corning, of the same Diocese, not present in the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Brown, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

## REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the petition of the Diocese of Tennessee asking for the creation of a new Diocese within its present limits, to be known as West Tennessee, beg leave to report: —

WHEREAS, The provision of Article 5 of the Constitution, relative to the proper support of the Episcopate, has not been, in the judgment of the Committee, sufficiently complied with; therefore

*Resolved*, That the consent of the House of Deputies to the erection of the proposed Diocese within the boundaries of the Diocese of Tennessee be not granted.

JOHN W. BROWN, *for the Committee.*

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted: —

## REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the resolution recommending "that our theological schools give more ample and specific instruction in the essential principles and manifold applications to theology of the prevalent philosophic thought of our age and country," have learned, upon inquiry, that the General Theological Seminary has recently established a lectureship upon Christian Evidences, intended to meet, so far as the endowment will allow, the need to which the resolution refers. That the Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, has recently established a professorship of apologetics and ethics, intended also to meet the same want; that Sewanee has a department for the relations of science to religion; and that several other of our schools of divinity are endeavoring, so far as their means will allow, to meet this demand. But so profoundly impressed are your Committee that still more ample provision ought to be made for the departments of apologetics and ethics, owing to the subtle and insinuating attacks of modern agnosticism, that they propose for adoption the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, That the resolution referred to us, touching this matter, be referred, for still further consideration, to the Committee on Education.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman.*

(For the Report of the Committee on Education, see p. 235.)

Mr. Cornwall presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Craik, of the Diocese of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Percival presented a Memorial of the late Mr. G. W. Race, of the Diocese of Louisiana; the Rev. Dr. Brown presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Dr. William Shelton, of the Diocese of Western New York: which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

Mr. Forsyth presented the Report of the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Endowment Fund.

(For the Report, see Appendix III.)

The Rev. Dr. Harison, in behalf of the Joint Committee on Testimonials, presented the following Report:—

The Joint Committee on Testimonials, appointed at the last General Convention, ask leave to report, that, inasmuch as the matters referred to them are already before the House of Deputies in another form, they respectfully request to be excused from the further consideration of the subject.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the request of the Committee was agreed to.

The Rev. Dr. Harison, Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book, presented a Report. (See Appendix XII.)

On motion, so much of the Custodian's Report as relates to expenses was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 236.)

On motion, the remainder of the Report was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Dix presented a Report of a Special Committee of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, on the proposed change in the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred two proposed amendments to Title I., Canon 9, *Of Lay Readers*, and also the amended form of the same Canon, reported to the House of Deputies by the Committee on Canons, in the session of 1880, and not then acted upon, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of an amended Canon, as follows:—

Title I., Canon 9, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

#### *Of Lay Readers.*

§ i. A Lay Communicant of this Church may receive from the Bishop a written license to conduct the service of the Church in a Congregation convened for public worship, as a Lay Reader; but such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity, to secure the services of an ordained Minister. Such license may be given by the Bishop, of his own motion, for service in any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Rector is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Bishop. Such license must be given for a definite period, not longer than one year from its date; but it may be renewed from time to time by the Bishop's indorsement to that effect. The license of any Lay Reader may be revoked at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ ii. A Lay Reader so licensed shall not act as such in any Diocese other than his own, unless he shall have received another license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve. If he be a student in any theological seminary, he shall also obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution.

§ iii. Every Lay Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the sermons or homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, or, where there is no Minister in charge, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall not use the Absolution nor the Benediction, nor the Offices of the Church except those for the Burial of the Dead and for Visitation of the Sick and of Prisoners; omitting, in these last, the Absolutions and Benedictions. He shall not deliver Sermons of his own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation. He shall not, without urgent reason, read any part of the Service, except the Lessons, when a Clergyman is present. This Canon shall not prevent students in any college or seminary from reading such parts of the Chapel Services as may be assigned to them from time to time by the presiding officer.

By order of the Committee.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 263.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution on the subject of striking out the words "Protestant Episcopal" wherever they occur in the Canons, respectfully report, that they have considered the same, and recommend that it be not adopted; and submit the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the resolution referred to them, on the subject of striking out the words "Protestant Episcopal" from the Canons.

By order of the Committee.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 9.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution to appoint a Commission to consider the subject of Courts of Appeal, etc., respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, for the reason that the establishment of such courts cannot, in their opinion, be effected by Canon:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the resolution referred to them, on the subject of Courts of Appeal, etc.

By order of the Committee.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman*.



(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 264.)

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

REPORT No. 10.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred certain proposed Canons relating to Organized Religious Bodies, etc., respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That it is inexpedient, at this time, to adopt any legislation on the subject of Organized Religious Bodies.

By order of the Committee.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

REPORT No. 11.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the expediency of providing that a Missionary Bishop shall have the right to be the Diocesan of a Diocese organized within his Jurisdiction, respectfully report, in view of the Constitutional question involved, that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the expediency of giving to a Missionary Bishop the right to be the Diocesan of any Diocese formed from his Jurisdiction, and that it be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

By order of the Committee.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar : —

REPORT No. 12.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposal that all Church Wardens should be chosen from the Communicants, and that all Vestrymen should subscribe a declaration of conformity to the discipline of the Church, etc., respectfully report the following resolution for adoption, the subject being one that cannot, in their opinion, be effectively dealt with by a General Canon, in view of the various laws of the several States as to the incorporation of Churches : —

*Resolved*, That this House earnestly commends to the Diocesan Conventions the importance of requiring that none but Communicants shall be Church Wardens, and of providing some proper regulations as to the conformity of Vestrymen to the discipline of this Church.

By order of the Committee.

A. A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 275.)

The Rev. Dr. Schenck presented the Report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations. (See Appendix VII.)

On motion of the same gentleman, it was

*Resolved*, That the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be continued.

The Rev. Dr. Huske presented a Memorial from the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, asking for an amendment of Title I., Canon 7; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 304.)

Mr. Wilder presented a Memorial of the Diocese of Minnesota, relating to secularized Clergy; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 288.)

Mr. Judd offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 6 of the Constitution be amended by adding, after the words "Convention of the Diocese," the words, "But the General Convention may provide for a Court or for Courts of Appeal, define the jurisdiction thereof, and regulate the mode of procedure therein."

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 234.)

Mr. DeRosset offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:—

*Resolved*, That this House will meet for business this evening at eight o'clock, and at the same hour on the evening of every week-day, except Saturdays, unless otherwise ordered.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Richards, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the managers of the Board of Missions be requested to prepare an Order of Business, embracing all matters which they desire to bring to the notice of the Board; which order shall be printed, and presented on the third day of the session, in order that the early days of the Convention may be occupied in the consideration of the Missionary work of the Church.

(For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 216.)

The Rev. Dr. Douglass offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:—

WHEREAS, While we thankfully acknowledge the blessing of God upon our Church in its steady growth in the present century, now in its ninth decade,—a ratio of growth greater, we believe, than that of any other religious body in the United States,—yet

WHEREAS, We have reason to believe that the average ratio of the increase of our Communicants is much less in the second half of this century than in the first; and

WHEREAS, The ratio of the increase of the Clergy has been rapidly declining since 1840, while the very limited number of Candidates for Orders is utterly insufficient for the pressing needs of the Church:

*Resolved*, That this whole subject of the growth of the Church be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, with instructions to inquire into the causes which are obstructing its growth, and preventing its rapid rate of increase as in former years.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 299.)

The following Message was received, and referred to the Committee on Canons :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 10.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., [1.], be amended by the insertion of the words, “having ecclesiastical jurisdiction,” after the words “Bishops of this Church in the United States,” so that the clause will read,—

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States having ecclesiastical jurisdiction; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishops aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section vi., be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the word “Episcopate” in Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [3.], be changed to “Jurisdiction,” so that the clause as amended will read as follows, viz. :—

[3.] In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of a vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section ix., [2.], be amended so as to read as follows, beginning at the top of p. 73 of the Digest, viz. :—

On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and

of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States, which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xv., [2.] and [3.], be amended so as to read as follows, viz.:—

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for a time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Assistant Bishop of another Diocese, etc.

[3.] No Diocese thus placed under such provisional charge shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, etc.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvii., [1.], be amended so as to read as follows, beginning with the second sentence of the said clause, viz.:—

[1.]

And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to every Bishop of this Church then within the limits of the United States and having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction; and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 267.)

On motion of Mr. Hay, it was

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with the Committee on Rules of the House of Deputies, on the subject of the powers of Joint Committees of the two Houses, and of references thereto.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 223.)

On motion of Mr. Lamberton, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book, to inquire into the expediency of compiling from the Prayer Book, or preparing, forms of service for use in our Sunday schools.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 216.)

The President appointed as members on the part of this House, of the Committee of Conference, under the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Watson, adopted at yesterday's session, the Rev. Dr. Elliott the Rev. Dr. Schenck, the Rev. Dr. Brown, Mr. DeRosset, Mr. Baldwin, and Mr. Atwater.

The House took a recess.

The President, having resumed the Chair, presented an invitation from the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Institution for

the Deaf and Dumb, to the members of the House, to visit that Institution. On motion, the invitation was accepted with the thanks of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions (see p. 449).

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## TENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 13, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Beard and the Rev. Dr. Thrall. The Absolution and concluding Collects were said by the Bishop of West Virginia. The Bishop of Kentucky pronounced the Benediction.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats: —

The Rev. Mr. Washburn, of Maine; and Mr. Chapin, of Western Michigan.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report: —

### REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the subject of the offerings for Disabled Clergymen and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, recommend the following: —

1. *Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider a proviso to Title I., Canon 14, Section iii., as follows: “*Provided*, That every such Minister annually shall contribute out of the offerings of his Parish, to the fund for Disabled Clergymen and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, a sum equivalent to not less than one nor more than *ten per cent* of the whole amount of communion alms.

2. *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to consider and report the best methods for increasing the ability and extending the benefits of the Trustees for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the first resolution appended to the foregoing Report was adopted.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 315.)

On motion, the second resolution appended to the Report was adopted. (For the Report of the Committee, see p. 262.)

The Rev. Dr. Beatty presented a Memorial of the late Rev. W. H. Hickox, of the Diocese of Kansas; the Rev. Mr. Converse presented a Memorial of the late Mr. E. R. Mudge, of the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Leeds presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Dalrymple, of the Diocese of Maryland: all of which Memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons: —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, Section vii., of the Digest, be amended as follows:—

*Strike out* the words, “of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of regular standing;” and *insert* the words, “in regular standing, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some other Church in communion with this Church.”

Also *strike out* the words, “making pecuniary appropriations in aid of Missions under the care of other Churches in communion with this Church, or of.”

Also *insert*, after the words “members of this Church,” the words, “or of some other Church in communion with this Church.”

So that Section vii. shall read as follows:—

No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some other Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing Laymen or women, members of this Church or of some other Church in communion with this Church, to do Missionary work.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 253.)

The same gentleman offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons: —

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 2, be amended by adding, at the close of Sub-section [6], of Section iii., (see p. 21 Digest 1880), the following words:—

“Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee, on the receipt of the prescribed testimonials, shall be unwilling to recommend the Postulant to the Bishop, they shall give their reasons for such refusal, in writing, to the Bishop and to the applicant.”

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 6, be amended by adding, at the close of Sub-section [5.], of Section iv. (p. 41, Digest 1880), the following words:—

“Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee are unwilling to proceed to recommend the candidate for ordination, they shall give their reasons for such refusal, in writing, to the Bishop, and to the candidate.”

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 8, be amended by adding, at the close of Sub-section [5.], of Section iv. (p. 46, Digest 1880), the following words:—

“Or, in case a majority of the members of the Standing Committee are unwilling to proceed to recommend the candidate for ordination, they shall give their reasons for such refusal, in writing, to the Bishop and to the candidate.”

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)



The Rev. Mr. Stanger offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

WHEREAS, The Bishops of both our Domestic and Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions are entitled to seats in the House of Bishops; and

WHEREAS, Clerical and Lay Delegates from our Domestic Jurisdictions are entitled to seats in the House of Deputies:

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Delegates from our Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions be admitted to the House of Deputies, with the same privileges as Delegates from our Domestic Missionary Jurisdictions.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 289.)

Mr. Kiersted offered the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That hereafter the sessions of this House shall begin with Morning Prayer, at nine A.M.

Mr. Bates offered the following amendment to the foregoing resolution:—

*Resolved*, That after to-day the sessions of the House be continued, with the exception of Saturday, until half-past five o'clock P.M.

On motion, the resolution and amendment were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 218.)

The Rev. Mr. Rogers offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of such Canonical provision as shall authorize the election of one or more Missionary Bishops for the coloured people in the Southern States.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 251.)

The Rev. Dr. McVickar offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:—

WHEREAS, Information has reached this House of the presence, in our city, of Lord Chief Justice Coleridge of England;

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to extend to him an invitation to be present at the sessions of this House.

On motion of Mr. Sheffey, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to communicate the foregoing action of this House to Lord Coleridge.

The President appointed, as such Committee, the Rev. Dr. McVickar, Mr. Sheffey, and Mr. Fish (see p. 283.)

The Rev. Mr. Burford offered the following resolution, which, on

motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 5, Section iii., of the Constitution, be amended by striking out the word "six," occurring twice in the second line, and substituting the word "twelve;" also striking out, in the twelfth line, the word "twelve," occurring twice, and inserting "twenty-four."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 223.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Porter, the Committee on Canons was discharged from the further consideration of the Report of the Sewanee Conference, and kindred matters.

On motion of the same gentleman, it was

*Resolved*, That the Report of the proceedings of the Sewanee Conference, and all matters relative to the relations of this Church to the coloured people, be referred to a Special Committee of five Presbyters and five Laymen, to be appointed by the Chair, who are instructed to report as soon as possible.

The President appointed as the Special Committee, under the foregoing resolution, the Rev. Dr. Porter, the Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, the Rev. Mr. Boone, the Rev. Dr. Locke, the Rev. Dr. Garrison, Mr. Coppée, Mr. Cornwall, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Eaton, and Mr. Henderson.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 217.)

The Rev. Dr. Garrison, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution have considered, with much care, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Goodwin, and the Memorial of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, proposing an amendment to Article 2, to provide for graduated representation of the Dioceses in the House of Deputies. The Committee do not feel prepared to advise so radical a change as that contained in the proposition before them, in the fundamental principles on which the General Convention was originally constituted, and which have been continued in harmonious and successful operation for well-nigh a century.

The Committee therefore report that it is inexpedient to amend the Constitution so as to provide for a graduated representation in the House of Deputies, and offer the following:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

SAMUEL BENEDICT, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 269.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ashley, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order, to consider the expediency of striking out from the first Rule the words "Morning Service," and substituting therefor "the celebration of the Holy Communion."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 218.)

The Rev. Mr. Magill, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 8.

On behalf of the Committee on Elections, I beg leave to present the certificate of election of Mr. David E. Snyder, *vice* Mr. T. A. Hendricks excused, as a Deputy from the Diocese of Indiana, and that the said Mr. Snyder has been admitted.

G. J. MAGILL, *for the Committee*.

Whereupon Mr. Snyder appeared, and took his seat.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider the expediency of amending the Canons relating to Ordinations, so as to state only the purport and effect of the Testimonials, instead of requiring an exact compliance with certain forms, which may be given in notes or an appendix.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 248.)

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 8th day of the Session,  
October 11, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 11.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following be appointed as members of the Standing Committee on Foreign Churches, viz.: The Rev. William F. Morgan, D.D.; the Rev. Robert S. Howland, D.D.; the Hon. Hamilton Fish; the Hon. John A. King, — in accordance with Title III., Canon 5, Section iii., [7.].

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 12.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and the Secretary of the House of Deputies, are hereby designated and authorized to furnish from time to time, for the "Official Year Book of the Church of England," information concerning the condition and progress of this Church.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 13.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following clauses be added to Article 4 of the Constitution:—

*Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction is organized as a Diocese, the Bishop thereof shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese;

And *Provided* further, That if, after the erection of a new Diocese out of a Missionary Jurisdiction, there be a remainder, the Missionary Bishop shall, at his option, become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or continue the Missionary Bishop of such remainder.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 14.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article 5 of the Constitution be altered so as to read as follows:—

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz.:—

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, or within the limits of any Missionary Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses, or of the Bishop and Convocation of each of the Missionary Jurisdictions concerned, as well as of the General Convention; and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor, in the case of new Dioceses formed from existing Dioceses, shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned: *Provided*, That no city shall form more than one Diocese. (The Article to remain as at present to the end as now printed, and then shall follow this Clause:)

Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed out of a Missionary Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese as shall have been previously selected by the Bishop of said Jurisdiction, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 15.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 16, *Of a List of Ministers of this Church*, be amended so as to read as follows:—

§ i. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him in the following manner; that is to say, every Bishop of this Church, or, where there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of October of each year, deliver or cause to be delivered to the Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or stations or in regard to those who have not any cures, their places of residence only; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to take care for the authorized publication of this list, before the first of January in every year, in such manner as he shall deem best.

§ ii. And, further, the Secretary shall obtain, in the same manner, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, a list, with particulars of time and place, of all Ministers belonging to the Diocese who have been ordained to the Diaconate or the Priesthood, or have died, or have been deposed, since the preceding General Convention; and the said list shall be published in the Journal of each General Convention.

And further

*Resolved*, That the present Section ii. of the said Canon be numbered Section iii.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 16.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 9, Section iii., [5.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

[5.] He shall not give public religious instruction unless with the Bishop's license.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 9th day of the Session,  
October 12, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 17.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that this House concurs in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, continuing the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 10th day of the Session,  
October 13, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 18.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 12 of the House of Deputies, and appoints, as the Committee of this House to confer with the Committee on Rules, of the House of Deputies, on the powers of Joint Committees, the Bishops of Missouri, Nevada, and Quincy.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in Nos. 11 and 12 of the foregoing Messages. Messages Nos. 13 and 14 were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. (For the Reports

of the Committee, see pp. 263, 273.) Messages Nos. 15 and 16 were referred to the Committee on Canons. (For the Reports of the Committee, see pp. 253, 303.)

The Rev. Dr. Anstice presented the following recommendations of the Board of Missions, which, on his motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons: —

The Board of Missions respectfully recommend that Canon 15, Title I., Section viii., [7.], be amended by striking out the word "may" in the first line, and inserting the word "shall" in lieu thereof.

And they recommend further, that, instead of "not less than two nor more than five Presbyters," as at present, such Standing Committees in Foreign Jurisdictions, whenever practicable, should be composed partly of Clergymen and partly of Laymen; and that such Standing Committees shall have powers (so far as applicable) such as are granted to a Standing Committee under the Canons of the Digest and the Canons of the Diocese which shall have been adopted by the said Missionary Jurisdiction under the provisions of the next Sub-section (i.e., Canon 15, § viii., [8.], Title I.); the Bishop and said Standing Committee to constitute the "Local Authorities" in whom certain powers are vested by Article VI. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. They also recommend that "Board of Missions" be changed, throughout the Digest, to "Board of Managers" where the sense requires it. They further recommend that the Secretary of the Board of Missions be instructed to convey this action to the Committee on Canons, which shall be appointed by the next General Convention, for their consideration and approval if it seem good to them.

The Board of Missions also respectfully recommend, that Title III., Canon 9, Article IV., be amended by striking out, in the second and third lines, the words "Secretaries and;" and inserting in the ninth line, after the word "number," the following words: "the Secretaries of the Domestic and Foreign Committees shall be entitled to a seat and voice, but not a vote."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 308.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## ELEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 15, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Corbett and the Rev. Mr. Fitts. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Nevada.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats: —

The Rev. Mr. Strong, of Georgia; and Mr. Shelby, of Western Michigan.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.



The following Messages were received: —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 10th day of the Session,  
October 13, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 19.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it consents to a Committee of Conference asked in Message No. 13, H.D., on the subject of the proposed division of the Diocese of North Carolina; and that it has appointed as members of such Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Maine, Western Texas, and Western Michigan.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 10th day of the Session,  
October 13, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 20.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., Clauses [4.] and [5.], be amended so as to read as follows, to wit: —

[4.] Any Bishop of this Church, desiring to retire from his Jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, may retire on his own motion, with the consent of the Convention of his own Diocese, and of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising Jurisdiction, certified and made known to the Presiding Bishop. If he be a Missionary Bishop, the consent of a majority of the Bishops shall suffice.

[5.] The Presiding Bishop, when assured of such consent, shall pronounce said Bishop retired, and shall make record of the fact, and communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such retirement to be recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of being retired be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this Section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the present clause [4.] be numbered [6.], and that the said clause be amended as follows: —

In clause [6.] insert after the words "no Bishop whose," the words "retirement from or;" and after "the House of Bishops," "except that a Bishop whose retirement has been consummated under the clauses [4.] and [5.] shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled;" and add, "a Bishop retired or resigned may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Jurisdiction, within the bounds of the Jurisdiction of the said Bishop."

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p.252.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 10th day of the Session,  
October 13, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 21.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the daily session of the Convention be opened by the Morning Service of the Church. This service on each day shall be under the direction of one of the Bishops selected by rule of the House of Bishops, who shall be assisted by such Presbyters, members of the House of Deputies, as may be selected by that House. Also

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies be respectfully requested to adopt such a rule as will give to the perfected action of the House of Bishops, communicated to them on one day, precedence, on the next day, to all business on their Calendar.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 222.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 10th day of the Session,  
October 13, 1883.

#### MESSAGE No. 22.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops decline to unite with the House of Deputies, in the passage of the Joint Resolution contained in Message No. 11 of that House, for the reason that they think it fit and desirable that the information sought by the resolution be obtained by a rule or requisition of the Board of Missions, of which the Bishops and Deputies, as members, constitute a large majority, and whose Committee the Managers are; rather than by a joint resolution of the two Houses of Convention, which have established official connection with the Board of Missions by Canons and acts of canonical force.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Payne, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book, to inquire into the expediency of compiling from the Prayer Book, or preparing, forms of service for use in our Sunday schools, —having had the resolution under consideration, offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Prayer Book are not prepared to recommend the compilation of any form of prayer for our Sunday schools at this time, and beg to be relieved from any further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM PAYNE, *Chairman*.

Mr. Abert presented a Memorial of the late Mr. Montgomery Blair, of the Diocese of Maryland; Mr. Smith of Western New York presented a Memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Ingersoll, of that Diocese: both of which Memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Peterkin, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Lectionary be requested to consider the propriety of omitting the Apocryphal Lessons from the Calendar, and substituting therefor Lessons from the Canonical Scriptures;

Also, To consider whether the efficiency of our Church Services might not be increased by shortening the appointed Lessons from Holy Scripture.

(For the action of the House of Bishops, see Message No. 28 from the H. B., p. 227.)

The Rev. Dr. Porter, from the Special Committee appointed to consider the Report of the Conference at Sewanee, Tenn., and kindred papers, presented the following Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons: —

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Conference at Sewanee, Tenn., on "the relation of the Church to the coloured people of the South," and the papers and documents therewith submitted, beg leave to report: —

That, upon due consideration of the subject, they submit the following Canon and resolution, and unanimously recommend the adoption of the same: —

#### CANON.

##### *Of Missionary Organizations within constituted Episcopal Jurisdictions.*

§ i. In any Diocese, it shall be lawful for the Bishop and Convention thereof to constitute one or more Missionary Organizations under the charge of the Bishop.

§ ii. When any such special Missionary Organization shall have been constituted in a Diocese, the Bishop shall annually appoint two or more Presbyters and two or more Laymen, communicants of this Church, and members of the Diocese, as an Executive Committee to act as an Advisory Council to the Bishop in all matters pertaining to the interests of such Missionary Organizations; and specially it shall be the duty of said Executive Committee to aid the Bishop in the establishment of missions and schools, by seeking out suitable candidates for the Ministry, and providing for their maintenance during candidateship, and by the performance of such other duties as the Bishop shall assign. Such Committee shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

§ iii. The Bishop, to aid him in the superintendence of such Missionary Organizations, may, as expediency shall suggest, appoint one or more Presbyters as Arch-deacons, who shall perform such duties as the Bishop may assign, and by authority of the Bishop may convene the Clergy and Laity of such Missionary Organizations in Convocation for the purpose of furthering its work.

§ iv. Every Bishop within whose Diocese any such Missionary Organizations may be constituted, if assisted or supported by the Board of Missions of the Church in the United States, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state of the Church in such Missionary Organizations, and also shall make a report of the same once a year to the Board of Managers.

§ v. Congregations organized under the provisions of this Canon, and Ministers exercising their functions within such special Missionary Organizations, may be received into union with the Convention of the Diocese on such terms as are provided for all others by the said Diocesan Convention. Until such reception into union with the Convention, the names of the Clergy in such Missionary Organizations shall appear on a separate list, to be delivered to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, but not placed on the Diocesan list in determining the Diocesan ratio of contingent expenses.

*Resolved*, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., Sub-section [2.], be amended by striking out the words "extraordinary strength of natural understanding," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a sound understanding," and

further by striking out the word "peculiar" in the same line; so that the sub-section as amended shall read:—

If the Bishop, on consideration of the circumstances of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure, and lay before the Standing Committee, a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses a sound understanding, an aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and adding any other reason for a dispensation which they may believe to exist.

A. T. PORTER, *Chairman*.

(For the Report of the Committee on Canons, see p. 251.)

The Rev. Mr. Converse presented a Report of the action of the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts relating to the proposed amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Mr. Withers, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following Report; and the several recommendations contained in the Report were adopted *seriatim*.

The Committee on Rules of Order, having sundry resolutions referred to them, submit the following Report:—

On the resolution of Rev. Dr. Adams of Wisconsin, they recommend the following additional Section to the Standing Order prescribing the duties of the Secretary:—

§ iv. That, previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

The resolutions offered by the Rev. Mr. Stanger of Southern Ohio, and Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, having been provided for by the adoption of the Rules of Order regulating debate in Committee of the Whole, your Committee ask to be relieved from their further consideration.

With reference to the resolution fixing the hours of meeting and adjournment of this body, we recommend the following:—

After this day, unless otherwise ordered, the sessions of this House shall begin at nine o'clock A.M., with Morning Prayer.

That, at one o'clock P.M., a recess of one hour shall be taken.

That the existing rule prescribing the hours of opening and adjournment be repealed.

The Committee reports adversely on the resolution of Rev. Dr. Ashley of Wisconsin, proposing to substitute the celebration of the Holy Communion for Morning Service at the opening of each day's session, and ask to be relieved from its further consideration.

R. E. WITHERS, *Chairman, for the Committee*.

On motion, the request of the Committee was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Meads, it was

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be respectfully invited to be present on the occasion of the reception of Lord Chief Justice Coleridge by this House.

(For the action of the House of Bishops, see Message, H. B., p. 220.)

The Rev. Dr. Peterkin offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons : —

*Resolved*, That Canon 11, Title II., entitled, "Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences," be amended by striking out paragraph 4, of Section ii.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 203.)

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, Article VII., be amended by inserting, after the words "the Board of Managers," the words, "shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and."

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, Article IV., of the Digest, be amended by inserting after the word "quorum," in line 13, the words, "but, whenever demanded by three members, a majority of the Bishops present, and a majority of the Clerical members present, and a majority of the Lay members present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 253.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harwood, it was

*Resolved*, That Article 3 of the Constitution be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, in order that they may consider whether it be expedient to make its terms conform to the laws and usages of this House in the passage of all resolutions.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 263.)

On motion of Mr. Fisher, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to prepare, and report to this House, such additions to Title I., Canon 18, as shall describe and set forth what is the standard edition of the Bible, agreed upon by the General Convention; and also state what, if any, provision has been made as to the custody of such standard Bible, and for reference thereto, for the purpose of correcting any new editions of the same, or for such other purpose as may be required.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 290.)

Mr. Stark offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons : —

*Resolved*, That Title III., Canon 9, Article IV., be amended by striking out the words "Secretaries and Treasurers of the Domestic and Foreign Committees," and insert in lieu thereof the words "General Secretary and Treasurer."

*Resolved*, That Article V. be amended by adding the following words: "and the Chairmen of the Domestic and Foreign Committees, together with



the General Secretary and Treasurer, shall be an Executive Committee, and may be authorized to exercise all the powers and duties of the Board of Managers when said Board is not in session."

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 308.)

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Order of the Day, being Report No. 2 of the Committee on Canons, relating to the tentative use of alterations in the Book of Common Prayer.

(For the Report, see p. 169.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

On motion, the subject was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 253.)

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 23.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops is pleased to learn of the courtesy which the House of Deputies has shown to so distinguished a visitor as the Lord Chief Justice of England, and regrets that the pressure of business renders it impossible for this House to be present with the other House on the proposed occasion.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 24.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

§ i. [1.] No Candidate who may be refused Holy Orders, in any Diocese, shall be ordained in any other Diocese except by renewal of Candidateship, under the provisions of Canon 2; but he may be allowed part or all of the time of his previous candidateship, at the discretion of the Bishop and with the approval of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 252.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 25.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Sections ii., iii., iv., v., vi., vii., viii., of Title II., Canon 9, of the Digest, at this date in force, having been enacted by both Houses of General Convention, and having the power of all canonical enactments, shall be the rules of procedure in such trial until



others shall be provided; and a copy of these Sections, certified as correct by the presiding officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, shall be kept in the archives of the House of Bishops, and from time to time conformed to any changes that may be duly made in them: *Provided*, That no changes can be made except by concurrent vote of both Houses of the General Convention.

*Resolved*, The House of Deputies concurring, that Title II., Canon 9. Sections ii. to viii. inclusive, be not printed in future editions of the Digest,

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 289.)

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the following Message was received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 26.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 14 of the House of Deputies, proposing the appointment of a Joint Committee to consider and report the best methods of increasing the ability and extending the benefits of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans, etc., with the exception, that the words "Trustees of the Fund" be substituted, in the said message, for the word "Society;" and appoints as members of such Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Easton, Minnesota, and Long Island.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the change proposed in the foregoing Message.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## TWELFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 16, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Morrison and the Rev. Mr. Gibson. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Minnesota.

The following members, not previously present, appeared, and took their seats:—

Mr. Emott, of New York; and Mr. Stiness, of Rhode Island.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House, of the special Joint Committee on the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc. (see Message No. 26 from H. B.), the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the Rev. Mr. Robert, the Rev. Dr. Schenck, Mr. Pierrepont, and Mr. Atkinson.

The President also appointed as members, on the part of the House, of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, the Rev. Dr. N. H. Schenck, the Rev. Dr. George Leeds, the Rev. Dr. T. F. Davies, the Rev. Dr. W. F. Morgan, the Rev. Dr. E. A. Hoffman, the Rev. Dr. R. S. Howland, the Rev. Dr. C. R. Hale, the Rev. C. R. Baker, Mr. John A. King, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr. John Jay, Mr. Hamilton Fish, Mr. Henry Chauncy, Mr. Philip F. Nash, Mr. W. B. Cutting, and Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

REPORT NO. 9.

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

The Committee on Elections would report, that the proper credentials have been received for Mr. Charles E. Parker, Diocese of Vermont, in place of Mr. Charles Dewey, who has leave; and for Edmund J. Lee, Diocese of West Virginia, in place of Thomas L. Broun, who has leave. The Secretary will call their names on the roll.

Leave of absence has been granted for the remainder of the session to Mr. Henry Ingalls, Diocese of Maine; to Mr. Simon G. Griffin, Diocese of New Hampshire; and to Mr. Z. D. Harrison, Diocese of Georgia.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Whereupon Messrs. Parker and Lee appeared, and took their seats.

Mr. Withers, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Rules of Order, to which was referred the resolution of the House of Bishops, relating to the Morning Service at the daily sessions of the House, respectfully report, that, having duly considered the same, they cannot recommend its adoption, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

R. E. WITHERS, *Chairman, for the Committee.*

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Rules of Order, to which was referred the resolution of the House of Bishops, relating to giving precedence in this House to certain business from the House of Bishops, having duly considered the same, report adversely thereon, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

R. E. WITHERS, *Chairman, for the Committee.*

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

Mr. Withers, from a Committee of Conference on the Powers of Joint Committees, presented the following Report:—

The Committee of Conference appointed to consider the powers of Joint Committees of the two Houses of the General Convention, having considered the subject referred to them, respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the following rules:—

I. That Joint Special Committees, having made their final Report, are to be considered as having exhausted their functions, and can only be revived by the concurrent action of the two Houses.

II. It shall be the privilege of either House to refer to a Joint Committee any matter relating to the subject for which it was appointed; but neither House shall have the power, without the consent of the other, to instruct the Joint Committee as to any particular line of action.

They therefore offer the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the first of the above joint rules be adopted.

*Resolved*, That the second of the above joint rules be adopted.

*Resolved*, That the above rules be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

C. F. ROBERTSON,

R. H. CLARKSON,

ALEX. BURGESS,

*Committee on part of the House of Bishops.*

R. E. WITHERS,

GEO. F. EDMUNDS,

J. F. GARRISON,

*Committee on part of the House of Deputies.*

On motion, the several resolutions appended to the Report were adopted *seriatim*. (See further, p. 232.)

The Rev. Dr. Harwood, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the proposition of the Rev. Mr. Burford, a Clerical Deputy from Western Michigan, that the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "six," occurring twice in the second line of paragraph 3, Article 5, of the Constitution, and substituting the word "twelve;" and also by striking out the word "twelve," occurring in the ninth line of the same paragraph, and substituting "twenty-four,"—beg leave respectfully to report that they have duly considered the subject so referred, and they offer the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Fifth Article of the Constitution, paragraph 3, be amended so as to read as follows, and that the amendment be made known to the several Dioceses, as required by Article 9:—

"No such new Diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; nor shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Diocese shall

be so reduced as to contain less than twenty-four Parishes, or less than twenty-four Presbyters who have been residing therein," etc.

Respectfully submitted.

By order, for the Committee.

CHAS. H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 270.)

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred a Memorial from the Diocese of Indiana, "praying the General Convention to revive the work of Evangelists, and to authorize their employment for the Church in America," would respectfully report, that they have duly considered the same, and that they do not regard any recommendation, on a subject so grave and important, as expedient at the present time, and would therefore offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the subject of Church schools and colleges be referred to the Committee on Education under the Auspices and Control of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

(For the Report of the Committee on Education, etc., see p. 274.)

The Rev. Mr. Collins presented a Memorial of the late Mr. J. H. Williams, of the Diocese of Vermont; the Rev. Dr. Percival presented a Memorial of the late Rev. W. P. Kramer, of the Diocese of Louisiana; Mr. Mills presented a Memorial of the late Mr. J. E. Garthwaite, of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey: all of which Memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

The Rev. Dr. Weller offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons:—

1. *Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this House, the work among the coloured people of the South does not require special or extraordinary Ecclesiastical machinery, unknown to the Constitution and Canons of this Church.

2 *Resolved*, That the Board of Managers for Domestic and Foreign Missions be requested to appropriate the sum of \$50,000 per annum, for work among the coloured people of the Southern States, to be distributed among the several Dioceses in relative proportion to the coloured population within the same; and that the arrangement of manner and method for the wise expenditure of this appropriation be left to the Bishop and Standing Committee of each Diocese.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 251.)

Mr. Fisher offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:—

WHEREAS, The potency and progress of the Church against error, ignorance, and superstition are commensurate with the preservation of her faith and doctrine in their primitive purity;

And WHEREAS, It is commonly rumored, and charged to be true, that certain ministers of this Church, in care of Churches or Parishes in communion therewith, have, during long periods of time passed, introduced, during the celebration of the Holy Communion, and still continue the same, ceremonies and practices not ordained or authorized in the Book of Common Prayer, and setting forth or symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, and also hold and teach, publicly and advisedly, doctrines contrary to those held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in violation of the Canons of the General Convention: therefore

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, with instructions to ascertain and report to this House, with all convenient speed, as to the truth of such charges; and if they shall be found to be true, then, that the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese or Dioceses, within whose Jurisdiction the same may have originated, be requested to inform this House why such Minister, Church, or Parish is permitted to remain in unquestioned communion with this Church, and why such rumors and charges have not been investigated as the Canons require, in order that such further action may be taken as may be deemed necessary and expedient in the premises.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 282.)

The Rev. Dr. Perkins presented a Report of the action of the Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky, relating to the Amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer; the Rev. Dr. Greer of Rhode Island presented a similar Report of the action of the Convention of that Diocese: which Reports, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Title I, Canon 22, with the object of authorizing the use in Mission Stations of a shortened form of Service, respectfully report that they have

considered the same, and are of opinion that the proposed amendment should not be adopted.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 22.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 14.

The Committee on Canons, to whom it was referred to consider what amendments were expedient in Title I., Canon 10, "Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries," etc., respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of an amended Canon, as follows:—

The House of Bishops concurring, Title I., Canon 10, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

#### CANON 10.

*Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.*

§ i. No Clergyman but those canonically resident in some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church shall be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, unless he shall have been licensed so to officiate by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. Such license shall not be granted by the Ecclesiastical Authority, but upon a letter commendatory from some Bishop in communion with this Church, or other satisfactory evidence of his being in Holy Orders and of his good character: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to forbid the officiating by any Minister belonging to a Church in communion with this Church, who is personally known as such to the Minister, Church-warden, or other officer of the Church where he so officiates, and who, not having actually been within the limits of the Diocese more than thirty days, has been unable to obtain the required license.

§ ii. Before any such Clergyman shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority a letter of dismission under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section vii. of Canon 14 of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and, when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the Jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismission was brought, to the full Jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church: *Provided*, That no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same: *Provided, also*, That such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country



at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 275.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :—

REPORT No. 15.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposal to amend Title II., Canon 4, Section ii., so that the reasons for action under such Canon should be none other than “error in doctrine, viciousness in life, or persistent neglect of duty” on the part of the Minister concerned,

Respectfully report adversely thereto, for the reason, that, for such causes, a Minister should not be proceeded against under this Canon, but presented and tried under the provisions of the Canons relating to the Trial of a Minister. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the proposed amendment to Title II., Canon 4, Section ii.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :—

REPORT No. 16.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment of Title II., Canon 9, entitled “Of the Trial of a Bishop,” so as to permit a Presbyter who considers himself aggrieved by his Bishop to present charges signed by himself alone, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and, believing that such a change in the Canons would be inexpedient, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the proposal referred to them in regard to the Presentment of a Bishop.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The following Message was received :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 28.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in Message No. 17 of the House of Deputies, for the reason that the principle of reading Lessons from the Apocrypha at the Morning and Evening Prayer has been long settled in this Church, and needs not now to be re-opened; and for the further reason that the assignment of such Apocryphal Lessons, and the determination of the length of the Lessons taken out of the Canonical Scriptures, have been under consideration for many years, and a matured scheme, famil-

iar by reason of permissive use, is now submitted to the General Convention for its final action. And, furthermore, the House of Bishops is of the opinion that Holy Scripture should, as heretofore, be read in the ears of the people, not in fragments, but with due regard to the completeness of the subject matter in each lesson selected.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Lectionary be instructed to re-insert in the Calendar, among the Old-Testament Lessons for the Sundays after Trinity, the twenty-second chapter of the Book Numbers.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That, when Lessons from the Apocrypha are prescribed in the Lectionary, it is ordered that the names of Apocryphal Books be printed in the Tables of Lessons in type of a character different from that used to name the Canonical Books.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Lectionary as above amended be adopted, and authorized for use in the following terms, to wit:—

*By the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the  
United States of America.*

The Lectionary contained in the Book of Common Prayer is hereby amended by substituting the Tables hereto appended for the Tables of Lessons of Holy Scripture, and by inserting after the third paragraph of "The Order how the rest of the Holy Scripture is appointed to be read," the three rules following:—

"If, in any Church, upon a Sunday or Holy Day, both Morning and Evening Prayer be not said, the Minister may read the Lessons appointed either for Morning or for Evening Prayer.

"At Evening Prayer on Sunday, the Minister may read the Lesson from the Gospels appointed for that day of the month, in place of the Second Lesson for the Sunday.

"Upon any day for which no proper Lessons are provided, the Lessons appointed in the Calendar for any day in the same week may be read in place of the Lessons for the day."

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

The motion having been made, to concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the fourth resolution in the preceding Message, the question was taken by Dioceses and Orders. The whole number of Dioceses represented in the Clerical Order was 48, — ayes, 48.

Whole number of Dioceses represented in the Lay Order, 43, — ayes, 43.

### DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

#### CLERICAL VOTE.

Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

## LAY VOTE.

Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

The motion accordingly prevailed by a constitutional majority of Dioceses and Orders.

The Rev. Dr. Harison offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Lectionary be amended by making the first Lesson for the evening of the Ninth Sunday after Trinity, Numbers xxii.

On this resolution, the question was taken by Dioceses and Orders. The whole number of Dioceses represented in the Clerical Order was 48, — ayes, 43 ; nay, 1 ; divided, 4.

Whole number of Dioceses represented in the Lay Order, 41, — ayes, 39 ; nay, 1 ; divided, 1.

## DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

## CLERICAL VOTE.

Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern New Jersey, Ohio, Pittsburgh, Quincy, South Carolina, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

## LAY VOTE.

Alabama, Albany, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern New Jersey, Ohio, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

## DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

## CLERICAL VOTE.

Pennsylvania.

## LAY VOTE.

Pennsylvania.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.

Massachusetts, Michigan, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio.

LAY VOTE.

Massachusetts.

And the resolution was accordingly adopted by a constitutional majority of Dioceses and Orders.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 29.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following sentence be inserted in Article 3 of the Constitution, after the words "it shall have the operation of law," in the sixteenth line: "*Provided*, That days on which there is no session of the House of Bishops be not counted among the three days aforesaid."

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 262.)

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 12th day of the Session,  
October 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 30.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article 10 of the Constitution be so amended as to read as follows:—

"Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated when the approbation of at least *three-fourths* of the Bishops of this Church has been signified in writing to the Presiding Bishop. He thereupon shall take order for the same, being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen, and properly qualified." (The residue of the article to remain unchanged.)

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That notice of the foregoing proposed amendment be given to the several Dioceses in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 267.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 12th day of the Session,  
October 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 31.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article VII., Canon 9, of Title III., of the Digest, be amended as follows:—

*Strike out* the words, “of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of regular standing,” and *insert* the words, “in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with the same.”

Also, *strike out* the words, “making pecuniary appropriations in aid of Missions under the care of Churches in communion with this Church, or of.”

Also, *insert* after the words, “members of this Church,” the words, “or of some Church in communion with the same;” so that Section vii. shall read as follows:—

No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with the same; but nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing Laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 253.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 12th day of the Session,  
October 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 32.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention does hereby concur in the proposed repeal of Article VI. of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and it is hereby declared that said Article is, by the concurrent vote of the Board of Trustees of said Seminary, at their last meeting, and of this General Convention, abrogated and repealed, and is no longer an Article of said Constitution.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention does hereby concur in the substitute adopted by the Trustees at their last annual meeting, for the Third Article (Article III.) in the Constitution of said Seminary, and also in a proposed new Article adopted in like manner by said Trustees, and numbered Article VI. in the Amended Constitution submitted for our concurrence.

And it is hereby declared, that by the concurrent vote of the Board of Trustees, and of this General Convention, Articles III. and VI. as amended and proposed are finally adopted; and that the Constitution of the Seminary is so amended that Articles III. and VI. shall be in the words following:—

ARTICLE III. The Board of Trustees shall be constituted as follows: Every Bishop of the Church, and the Dean of the Seminary, shall be entitled to be a member of the Board. There shall also be fifty other Trustees, twenty-five of whom shall be appointed by certain Dioceses, on the basis of their former contributions to the Seminary, as follows: New York, ten; Western New York, one; Long Island, two; Albany, one; Central New York, one; New Jersey, one; Northern New Jersey, one; Massachusetts, one; Pennsylvania, three; Maryland, one; North Carolina, one; South Carolina, two; and the remaining twenty-five shall be chosen by the House

of Deputies at each stated General Convention. But no person shall be a Trustee of the Seminary unless he shall have signified in writing his acceptance of the office. The senior Bishop present shall preside at every meeting of the Board of Trustees; and whenever demanded by a majority of the Bishops present, or a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present, the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops present and of a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall have power to supply all vacancies among the Trustees elected by the House of Deputies.

**ARTICLE VI.** This Constitution, as altered by the concurrent vote of the General Convention and of the Board of Trustees, shall take effect on the first day of October, A.D. 1884; and the first Trustees, other than Bishops, under the amended Constitution, shall be chosen before that time by the House of Deputies and the Diocesan Conventions respectively; and a certificate of their election shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the remaining alterations proposed be referred back to the Board of Trustees for the correction of certain errors believed to be the result of inadvertence.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.  
(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 237.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 12th day of the Session,  
October 16, 1883.

**MESSAGE No. 33.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not adopted the resolutions appended to the Report of the Committee of Conference appointed to consider the powers of Joint Committees, and asks a Committee of Conference on Message No. 22 of the House of Deputies, and appoints as such committee of this House the Bishops of Missouri, Nevada, and Quincy.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the request for a Committee of Conference was granted. The President appointed as members of such Committee, on the part of this House the Committee on Rules of Order. (See p. 261.)

The following Message was received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 12th day of the Session,  
October 16, 1883.

**MESSAGE No. 34.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed the following as members of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations: the Bishops of Connecticut, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Western New York, Florida, Long Island, Albany, and Central New York.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.



## THIRTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY, October 17, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Fiske, and the Rev. Mr. Vaulx. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.

The Rev. Dr. Beach of New York, not previously present, appeared, and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Benedict, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Reports, which were placed on the Calendar, viz. : —

## REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution have had under consideration the amendment to Article 8, moved by Mr. Nash of New York, in these words: "Insert, in lieu of the paragraph beginning 'No alterations,' etc., the following: —

"No alterations or additions to the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church, or Articles of Religion, shall be made except in the mode prescribed for alterations of this Constitution: *Provided*, however, that after any alteration or addition shall have been proposed in General Convention, and ordered to be made known to the several Dioceses, the House of Bishops may authorize the use of said proposed alterations and additions, or any of them, until the ensuing General Convention."

Your Committee consider such "tentative use" of proposed additions and alterations as unnecessary and unwise; opposed to the intention and letter of the Constitution. The great number of alterations and additions now being proposed is, in the judgment of your Committee, a strong additional reason for adhering to an obvious construction of the Constitution, such as has heretofore been the uniform course of this Convention.

Deeming such an amendment of the Constitution inexpedient, your Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of this matter.

By order of the Committee.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 278.)

## REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution have had under consideration an amendment to Article 9, proposed by Mr. Nash of New York, to make the Article read thus: "This Constitution shall be unalterable except as follows: Amendments shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and, if then approved, shall be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions; and the ensuing General Convention shall then have power to amend or modify the alterations proposed, and to act finally upon the same."

Your Committee think that such an unlimited grant of power to the

second Convention, to modify or amend the amendment to the Constitution, as proposed at the first and made known to the Dioceses, might seriously impair the intention of the proposed alteration. The only safety is in adhering strictly to the rule that two successive Conventions shall agree on the exact alteration contemplated, as it was made known in the interim to the several Dioceses.

Your Committee cannot recommend such an amendment, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 279.)

#### REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, having had under consideration the Memorial from the Diocese of Arkansas, presented by Rev. J. J. Vaulx, and also a resolution offered by Mr. Judd of the Diocese of Illinois, asking for such legislation as will allow of the establishment of a Court of Appeal by the General Convention, respectfully report:—

That the subject of an Appellate Jurisdiction has been brought before the Convention at many times during the last twenty-seven years. In 1856 it was proposed to the Dioceses, but in 1859 defeated by a large negative vote. In various modified forms it has been frequently renewed. (See Journals of 1856, 1859, 1871, 1874, and 1880.)

Some of the Dioceses have established for themselves Courts of Appeal. No facts and no new considerations are brought to the knowledge of your Committee. The establishment of such Appellate Jurisdiction, by this General Convention, is deemed inexpedient; and your Committee ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 279.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, viz.:—

#### REPORT No. 9.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution have had under consideration a Memorial presented by Rev. J. J. Vaulx, from the Diocese of Arkansas, asking for legislation looking to the enactment of a General Canon for the trial of Presbyters and Deacons, and respectfully report that Article 6 of the Constitution declares, that, "in every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention thereof."

Canons 1 and 2, Title II., "Of Discipline," are based on the idea that the Dioceses have such instituted methods.

No reasons are given, in the Memorial, for a departure from the existing system of the Church; and no cases of hardship arising under it have been brought to the notice of your Committee.

Your Committee consider the proposed legislation inexpedient, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Rev. Dr. Coit, from the Committee on Education, etc.,

presented the following Reports, which were placed on the Calendar : —

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Education, etc., to whom were referred the preamble and resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Haskins, of the Diocese of Quincy, recommending a Church School Board legally organized, with capital, etc., having for its object the establishment of a uniform system of schools throughout the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, respectfully report, that they have taken the subject into consideration, and deem any action in reference to it, on the part of this Convention, inexpedient.

H. A. COIT, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 276.)

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Education, etc., to whom were referred a preamble and resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp of Iowa, urging some action upon this Convention that may secure an authorized system of Bible instruction and helps for the greater efficiency of our Sunday schools, respectfully report that they are not prepared to recommend such action to this Convention.

H. A. COIT, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 295.)

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Education, to whom a preamble and resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Franklin of New Jersey, urging that this Convention recommend that the theological schools make special provision for instruction in philosophy in its bearings upon Christian theology, were referred by the Committee on the State of the Church, respectfully report that they have considered the subject, and do not think such recommendation to be within the province of this Convention.

H. A. COIT, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 295.)

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, from the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members, presented a Report (see Appendix VI.) with appended resolutions, which were adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Shattuck, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following Report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted *seriatim* : —

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Expenses respectfully report, that they have freely given time and thought to a consideration of the matters referred to them, and are able to report with great unanimity.

The expenses of the Convention of 1877 amounted to eleven thousand four hundred dollars; those of the Convention of 1880, to nine thousand five hundred dollars. No additional assessment was needed, for the first time for many years; and this Convention starts with five hundred dollars in its treasury. We report a resolve giving authority for an additional assessment, should this be necessary, though we hope it may not be so. We may notice how much less our expenses are than those of Congress or of any State Legislature. Our members serve for love, and look for their reward at the hands of a Master whose kingdom is not of this world. Most of the members even pay their own expenses, and we must acknowledge the liberal

and courteous hospitality supplied by Churchmen of the city where we meet. Our President and Treasurer receive no salary for laborious, skilful, and responsible services. Our principal expense is in printing and distributing our Journal. Other printing and stationery afford a rather large item of expense, though here we endeavour to exercise a wise economy. We pay in salaries a considerable sum, though the amount proposed for this Convention is but little greater than that of the last Convention. There are six Secretaries and a Registrar, to whom we give something; and we pay expenses of our venerable Presiding Bishop to the amount of four hundred dollars. The duties of the Secretary of this House are very laborious, and require great skill and exactness. The printing being under his direction, economy must be one of his virtues. More than half his time is given to his duties during the first year, a less proportion during the next two years. He is the representative of the Convention, when not in session, to whom all questions are addressed; and during the last three years he has written more than four thousand letters. It is obvious that the duties of a Parish Priest cannot be properly discharged by one so burdened; and the salary we give him is barely sufficient to provide an assistant in his parish.

We have considered those matters carefully; and the Convention may be assured, that, in making the appropriations now to be recommended, the compensation thus awarded to its servants will be far less than the market value of their services.

We propose the following resolutions for the action of the Convention:—

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay from time to time, on the order of the present Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, such expenses as he may reasonably incur, in the execution of his office, for clerk-hire, printing, stationery, etc., at not exceeding four hundred dollars in any one year; it being understood that the travelling expenses of the Presiding Bishop are paid by the Diocese or other body at whose instance they are incurred.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay drafts from the Registrar for the expenses of his office; the whole amount not to exceed fifty dollars in any one year.

*Resolved*, That the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Chairman of this Committee, for expenses in procuring copies of the various editions of the Standard Prayer Book, and of other works which may be needed in deciding questions as to the text and typography; the whole sum not to exceed one hundred dollars for the three years, and the books to be the property of the General Convention.

*Resolved*, That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops be three hundred dollars for the first, and one hundred for each succeeding year.

*Resolved*, That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Deputies be twelve hundred dollars for the first, and five hundred dollars for each succeeding year.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred dollars be paid to each of the five Assistant Secretaries of the two Houses.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay only those bills for printing, stationery, binding, postage, or for other incidental expenses, which have been countersigned and approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer and Secretary are authorized to ask for a sum not exceeding one dollar for each Clergyman, as an additional assessment, should the state of the Treasury, at any time before the meeting of the next Convention, be such as to require an addition to its funds.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to print a sufficient number of the Journal and Digest (not exceeding forty-five hundred copies), and to furnish the same to the order of the Bishops of the

various Dioceses, or of the Ecclesiastical Authority, who shall apply for them on or before the first day of December; no Bishop to have copies in excess of the number of the Clergy having cure of souls. Copies may be supplied to Church Institutions and to college and other libraries, to Bishops and Synods of the other Churches in our communion, as may be deemed advisable; also, one to each Secretary of the Diocesan Conventions, and to the Secretaries of the Standing Committees, and one to each Deputy of the General Convention who has been in attendance upon the present Session; an edition of the Digest to be separately printed, and all copies of the Digest and Journal not disposed of as before provided may be put on sale.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Expenses be authorized to sit during the recess of the Convention.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK,

*Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hall, it was

*Resolved*, That all Reports of the Committee on Amendments of the Constitution be taken from the Calendar, and made the Order of the Day, on Saturday next, at eleven o'clock, and continuously thereafter until disposed of.

The Rev. Dr. Farrington, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented the two following Reports, which were made the Order of the Day for Thursday next, at eleven A.M. :—

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary beg leave to report that they have examined the Triennial Report of the Board of Trustees to the General Convention, which was referred to them, and are gratified to find that the Seminary is in a most prosperous condition.

The Committee also report, that, after duly considering the amended Constitution of the Seminary, and the Message of the House of Bishops, informing the House of Deputies that they have adopted certain Articles of said amended Constitution, they have passed the following resolution by a majority of votes :—

*Resolved*, That this Committee recommend to the House of Deputies, that they concur with the House of Bishops in their action as communicated in Message No. 32, concerning the adoption of the Amended Constitution of the General Theological Seminary.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD R. ATWILL.  
THOMAS E. DAVIES.  
WM. S. LANGFORD.  
HENRY E. PIERREPONT.  
G. L. HARRISON.  
R. H. GARDINER.  
JOHN A. KING.  
G. P. KEESE.

#### MINORITY REPORT.

The undersigned, members of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, respectfully report, that, though heartily in favour of a reduction in the number of Trustees, they are unable to recommend the adoption of the Amended Constitution referred to them for consideration, for the following reasons :—



In the first place, it appears from the published Proceedings of the Board of Trustees, which accompanied their Triennial Report to this General Convention, that the Report containing the proposed Amendments to the Constitution, presented to the Board at its Annual Meeting in May last, was not signed by the venerable Bishop of New York, the Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Trustees, and that there was nothing in the Report to show how many of the Committee, which consisted of twelve Trustees, had attended its meetings, or agreed to the Report. It further appears, that the Committee, though appointed in 1879, and enlarged by order of the Board in 1880, presented no report of its proceedings either in 1881 or 1882; and that it was not known, outside of the Committee, that any report would be presented in 1883. The Trustees present at the meeting in May last were therefore taken by surprise when the Report came in; and, no printed copies having been furnished by the Committee, were at a great disadvantage in the consideration of the amendments proposed. It further appears, that, when the amended Constitution was finally adopted by the Board, not more than fifty-five Trustees were present. It is respectfully submitted, that an amended Constitution, thus passed by the votes of not more than thirty Trustees, does not and can not reflect the wishes of the Trustees at large, and ought not, therefore, to find favour in this body.

Again: it appears, on a comparison of the amended Constitution with the Constitution as it now stands, that the changes proposed are of a radical and sweeping nature. The number of Trustees, not counting the Bishops, all of whom are entitled to be members of the Board, is reduced to fifty, who may be either all Clergymen or all Laymen. It will be possible, therefore, to have a Board of Trustees without a single Presbyterian in it, or, on the other hand, without a single Layman in it. Every Diocese hitherto has been allowed a representation in the Board; but, if the amended Constitution be adopted, only twelve of the Dioceses which have contributed to the funds of the Seminary, and which are to be allowed twenty-five Trustees on the money basis, will hereafter be sure of any representation in the Board; for the twenty-five Trustees to be chosen by the House of Deputies may all be taken from a single Diocese.

It is respectfully submitted, that a Seminary which bears upon its title the word "General," and which in every way claims to be the Seminary of the whole Church, should have in its governing Board a Trustee or Trustees from all the Dioceses, thus enabling each Diocese, if it desires, to have a voice in the election of Dean and Professors, and in the election of the Standing Committee, to which, under the provisions of the amended Charter passed by the Legislature of the State of New York, and of the Statutes passed by the Trustees, is committed the management of the finances and other affairs of the Corporation when the Board is not in session. In every plan heretofore presented to the General Convention, this feature has been carefully preserved; and the undersigned do not think it should be given up on the ground, that, in the scheme now proposed, twenty-five Trustees are to be elected by the House of Deputies.

Once more: the undersigned call attention to the fact that the amended Constitution, as transmitted to the General Convention, is imperfect in several important particulars. For example, Article II. of the Constitution has been so changed as to make a visitation on the part of the Bishops, in their official capacity, almost an impossibility. Again, Article III. has been so altered that hereafter no Diocese can be allowed a representation in the Board on the ground of money contributed to the funds of the Seminary. Only twenty-five Trustees are allowed on the money basis, and these are already distributed among the Dioceses which have made contributions. The effect of this alteration, it is feared, must tend to discourage gifts to the Institution.

Once more: a new Article V. has been incorporated in the Constitution, which confers upon the Faculty authority over the students in matters of



“internal discipline, either academic or pastoral,” and thus deprives the Dean of his rightful authority as the Pastoral Head of the Institution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON.  
T. GARDINER LITTELL.  
GEORGE S. CONVERSE.  
GUSTAV A. CARSTENSEN.  
GEORGE C. McWHORTER.

(For the consideration of the foregoing Reports, see p. 244.)

The following Messages were received, viz. : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 12th day of Session,  
October 16, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 35.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 25, of the House of Deputies, amending the Lectionary, by making Numbers xxii. the first Evening Lesson of the ninth Sunday after Trinity, and that it has adopted the Lectionary as thus amended, and authorized the same for use, by a constitutional majority.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 13th day of the Session,  
October 17, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 36.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed the Bishop of Easton as an additional member of the Committee of Conference on the Power of Joint Committees.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; to wit, Report No. 1 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, relating to a change in the title of the Prayer Book and of the Ordinal. (For the Report, see p. 174.) The question being on the adoption of the resolution appended to the Report, the Rev. Dr. Thrall moved to amend the resolution by substituting the word “expedient” for “inexpedient.” The amendment was lost; and the resolution was, on motion, adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar; to wit, Report No. 2 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, relating to amendment of Article 8 of the Constitution. (For the Report, see p. 180.) On motion, the consideration of the subject was postponed, and made the Order of the Day for Thursday, at 10½ A.M. (See p. 300.)

The Rev. Dr. Benedict offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar: —

*Resolved*, That on Friday next, and on every week-day till the adjournment of the Convention, the House of Deputies hold a session at 8 P.M., unless otherwise ordered.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## FOURTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 18, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Barber, and the Rev. Mr. Boone. The Benediction was pronounced by the Assistant Bishop of Mississippi.

Mr. Grimian, Delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas, not previously present, appeared, and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following Messages were received, viz. : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 13th day of the Session,  
October 17, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 37.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the words "House of Deputies" be substituted for the word "Convention," in the fourteenth line of Article 2 of the Constitution, as printed in the Digest of the Canons appended to the Journal of the General Convention of 1880; and that the words "House of Deputies" be in like manner substituted for the word "Convention," in the twelfth line of Article 3, as printed as above.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That notice of the foregoing proposed amendments be given in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 263.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 13th day of the Session,  
October 17, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 38.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [4.], be amended by adding [5.] after the words "the district assigned him," so that the Clause [4.] shall read as follows: —

[4.] The jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him. Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such Jurisdiction, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed: *Provided*, That no Standing Committee constituted under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

Clause [5.] to read as follows:—

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which shall remain in force until the Jurisdiction shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

Clause [6.] to read as follows:—

[6.] In cases a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, the Clerical members of the Standing Committee may make presentment: *Provided*, That the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee and the accused; and, if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his Jurisdiction, the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

Clause [5.], as at present numbered, to be numbered [7.].

Clause [6.], as at present numbered, to be numbered [8.].

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 288.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 13th day of the Session,  
October 17, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 39.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

If the Bishop, on consideration of the circumstances of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure, and lay before the Standing Committee, a testimonial signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses a sound understanding and judgment, an aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and adding any other reason for a dispensation which they may believe to exist.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 286.)

The President appointed Mr. Baldwin to fill a vacancy in the Committee on Rules of Order.

The Rev. Dr. Schenck, from the Special Joint Committee on increasing the Fund for Disabled Clergy, etc., presented the following Report, viz.:—

REPORT OF "THE COMMITTEE ON INCREASING THE FUND FOR DISABLED CLERGY AND THEIR FAMILIES," APPOINTED AT THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1880.

Your Committee beg to report, that, immediately after the adjournment of the last General Convention, prompt steps were taken towards the discharge of the duties imposed upon it.

The Report made to the General Convention of 1880, with the action taken thereupon in adopting the resolutions embodied in the Report, was published in the Church press generally; special copies in pamphlet-form were sent to all the Bishops, and the Secretaries of the Conventions or Councils of the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, with the request that the Report be submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions or Councils. Further than this, a large number of copies was sent directly to the Rectors of the larger Parishes throughout the Church.

From the above, it will be seen that the widest currency was given to the action of the late General Convention upon this very important matter.

Your Committee has no means of knowing the results of the special effort thus put forth; for very few instances have occurred where contributions have been made, during the past three years, in which any percentage on the Communion "devotions" are particularized, separate and apart from the general congregational offerings to this object. And yet it is known that the suggestion of the percentage has in many cases been heeded, and in some cases reported.

Then, again, the Trustees of the General Fund have made increased efforts to secure enlarged contributions in other ways than that above recited, — by personal appeals, and by enlisting especially the efficient aid of the Church press. The aggregate result of these combined efforts is to be seen in the marked increase of contributions during the past three years; the amount being nearly quadrupled from Church and individual offerings, as against the receipts from these sources, during the preceding triennial period. So that notwithstanding the diminution of receipts from the royalty on the Hymnal, legacies, and interest, there is a total increase of this last triennium, over the preceding one, of over twelve thousand dollars.

It is a gratifying and encouraging fact, furthermore, to know that the increase from contributions has been regularly enlarging, the second year of the triennium almost doubling the first, and the third year much more than doubling the second.

Why so little comparatively has been returned from the larger Parishes in our cities, it is not the province of this Committee to investigate or report upon: this properly pertains to the Trustees of the General Fund. But why so little has been received in percentage on the Communion "devotions," is well ascertained, at least as far as the larger city Parishes are concerned. It is well known that the amount given in these churches, and especially those at the great centres, as offerings at the celebration of the Holy Communion, is wholly inadequate to meet the claims, coming not only from the poor of the Parish, but from a thousand other quarters near and far. Thus much of the "alms," for the poor of the Parish and the neighborhood, and those at a distance at times, who are clamorous for help. Now, what may be set apart as "other devotions" of the people, if it be (let us say) as a percentage for the General Clergy Relief Fund, is speedily exhausted, or, it may be, anticipated, by the private appeals of suffering brethren in the Ministry, who, when trouble settles upon them, will go frankly to an old friend, or confidentially to the Rector of some Church of large resources, and disclose their needs, when they could never persuade themselves to apply for assistance to any institutional agency, even though it be administered with the delicacy and tenderness of our General Clergy Relief Fund, and as completely curtailed from observation. In-

stances have been disclosed where Rectors of the larger Parishes have for years given twenty per cent of the "alms and other devotions of the people," in response to the private and confidential applications made to them by brethren in the Ministry who are in actual want. These are appeals to which no one can turn a deaf ear, if so be there is any ability to give a favourable response. It will not do to say that you have sent a percentage of your Communion offerings to the General Clergy Relief Fund, and that application must there be made. This may be available in a small minority of cases; but in many more such a response is, in the estimation of those asking for help, equivalent to the entire withholding of aid.

No wonder, considering what is above submitted, that there are but very scanty returns from the Rectors of the larger Churches.

Still, if the resolution reported to this Convention by the Trustees of the General Fund, as adopted by the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, goes forth to the Church at large, and is followed up by prompt, earnest, and continuous action, your Committee is of opinion that the renewed suggestion of the plan of percentage of Communion offerings for the relief of disabled Clergy and their families will find increasing favour in the eyes of our Rectors and Congregations, until the idea shall come to be generally, if not universally, recognized and acted upon, and so a permanent and adequate revenue be secured to the Trustees of this Fund.

There can be no question that a decided, and, as we believe, permanent impulse, has been given to this eminent charity. The project now especially on foot must, with other agencies enlisted, secure, under God, the largest measure of success to this Christ-honouring and brother-helping enterprise.

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J. STAFFORD DROWNE,  
O. MEADS,  
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HENRY E. PIERREPONT,  
*Committee.*

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 2 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, relating to the amendment of Article 8 of the Constitution. (See p. 239.) On motion, the Report was laid over for further consideration. (See p. 278.)

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 4 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, relating to the setting-forth of a Sunday-school Hymnal by the Convention.

(For the Report, see p. 187.)

The Rev. Dr. Gibson, of Virginia, offered the following substitute for the first resolution appended to the Report:—

*Resolved*, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to prepare a Hymnal for our Sunday schools, and to report the same to the General Convention of 1886.

On a division, the resolution was lost.

The first resolution appended to the Report was not adopted.

The second resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, to wit, the Majority and Minority Reports of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

(For the Reports, see p. 237.)

The question being on concurring with Message No. 32 of the House of Bishops, the Diocese of Northern New Jersey called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy, there were 48 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 38 ; nays, 5 ; divided, 5. Of the Laity, there were 38 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 32 ; nays, 4 ; divided, 2.

#### DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

##### CLERICAL VOTE.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Dr. Banister, and the Rev. Messrs. Johnston, and Beard. — *Aye*.

ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Payne, Battershall, and Harison. — *Aye*.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Vaulx, and Stout. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Birdsall, Chetwood, and Spalding, and the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Brainard, Egar, and Goodrich. — *Aye*.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Drs. Beardsley, and Harwood, and the Rev. Mr. Fogg. — *Aye*.

EASTON. — The Rev. Drs. Dashiell, Barber, and Wilson. — *Aye*.

FLORIDA. — The Rev. Drs. Weller, and Carter, and the Rev. Mr. Thackara. — *Aye*.

FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Prescott, Vernor, and Wright. — *Aye*.

GEORGIA. — The Rev. Dr. Williams, and the Rev. Messrs. Boone, Pond, and Strong. — *Aye*.

ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Dr. Locke, and the Rev. Messrs. Sweet, and Knowles. — *Aye*.

INDIANA. — The Rev. Dr. Wakefield, and the Rev. Messrs. Scott, and Faudé. — *Aye*.

IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Messrs. Van Antwerp, and Stilson. — *Aye*.

KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Messrs. Ellerby, Bennett, and Holden. — *Aye*.

KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Drs. Tidball, and Perkins, and the Rev. Mr. Tschiffely. — *Aye*.

LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hall, Schenck, Drowne, and Snively. — *Aye*.

MAINE. — The Rev. Messrs. Washburn, Leffingwell, Upjohn, and Fiske. — *Aye*.

MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Drs. Lambert, Huntington, and Brooks. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Converse. — *Nay*.

MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Drs. Worthington, and Hall, and the Rev. Messrs. Brewster, and Clark. — *Aye*.



MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson, and Hawley. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Gilbert. — *Nay*.

MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Mr. Logan. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Marks. — *Nay*.

MISSOURI. — The Rev. Drs. Fulton, and Runcie, and the Rev. Messrs. Robert, and Talbot. — *Aye*.

NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Mr. Doherty, and the Rev. Dr. McNamara. — *Aye*.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Dr. Coit, and the Rev. Messrs. Renouf, Smith, and Roberts. — *Aye*.

NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Garrison, Franklin, and Langford. — *Aye*.

NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Dix, Beach, Hoffman, and Shipman. — *Aye*.

NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson, Huske, and Marshall. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Hughes. — *Nay*.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Messrs. Stansbury, and Moffett. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Farrington. — *Nay*.

OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Rulison, Bodine, and Atwill. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Osborne. — *Nay*.

RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Greer, and Richards, and the Rev. Mr. Magill. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Henshaw. — *Nay*.

SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Messrs. McCollough, Capers, and Johnson, and the Rev. Dr. Porter. — *Aye*.

SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Benedict, and Bates, and the Rev. Messrs. Webster, and Stanger. — *Aye*.

TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rucker, and Bird. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Rogers. — *Nay*.

VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Hanckel, and Peterkin. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Gibson. — *Nay*.

WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Cobbs, Leavell, and Mason. — *Aye*.

WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Corbett, and the Rev. Messrs. Burford, Cook, and Bancroft. — *Aye*.

WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Anstice, and Doty. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Rankine. — *Nay*.

WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Drs. Adams, and Ashley, and the Rev. Messrs. Pradt, and Ten Broeck. — *Aye*.

#### LAY VOTE.

ALABAMA. — Messrs. Bond, Buell, and Hurd. — *Aye*.

ALBANY. — Messrs. Meads, Forsyth, and Keese. — *Aye*.

ARKANSAS. — Mr. McCracken. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — Mr. Stephens. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. Gardner, and Moss. — *Aye*. Mr. McWhorter. — *Nay*.

CONNECTICUT. — Messrs. Harrison, Stark, Minor, and Russell. — *Aye*.

DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis, and Bates. — *Aye*.

EASTON. — Messrs. Goldsborough, and Mackall. — *Aye*.

FLORIDA. — Mr. Fairbanks. — *Aye*.

GEORGIA. — Mr. Whittle. — *Aye*.

ILLINOIS. — Messrs. Judd, and Tilden. — *Aye*.

IOWA. — Mr. Mallory. — *Aye*.

KANSAS. — Mr. Kent. — *Aye*.

LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. Pierrepont, King, and Nicoll. — *Aye*.

MAINE. — Messrs. Bridge, and Gardiner. — *Aye*.

MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, and Wilmer. — *Aye*. Mr. Abert. — *Nay*.

MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Shattuck, Winthrop, Bennett, and Davis. — *Aye*.

MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Eaton, and Minor. — *Aye*.

MISSOURI. — Mr. Lycett. — *Aye*.

NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Wilson, and Conover. — *Aye*.

NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fish, Emott, and Tracy. — *Aye*.

NORTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. DeRosset, and Henderson. — *Aye*.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Meigs, Mills, and Hicks. — *Aye*.

OHIO. — Mr. Moss. — *Aye*.

PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Harrison, and Merrick. — *Aye*.

RHODE ISLAND. — Messrs. Stiness, and Dorrance. — *Aye*.

SOUTHERN OHIO. — Messrs. Stettinius, and McGuffey. — *Aye*.

SPRINGFIELD. — Messrs. Candee, and Davis. — *Aye*. Mr. Burrows. — *Nay*.

VERMONT. — Mr. Parker. — *Aye*.

VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Sheffey, Taylor, and Withers. — *Aye*.

WEST VIRGINIA. — Mr. White. — *Aye*.

WESTERN NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fisher, and Worthington. — *Aye*.

## DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

### CLERICAL VOTE.

LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Girault, and Waters, and the Rev. Dr. Percival. — *Nay*.

PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Dr. Purdon, and the Rev. Messrs. Vincent, and Carstensen. — *Nay*.

QUINCY. — The Rev. Messrs. Rudd, Haskins, and Wilkinson. — *Nay*. The Rev. Mr. Shrimpton. — *Aye*.

SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Messrs. Dresser, and Taylor. — *Nay*.

TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Messrs. Fitts, and Sneed. — *Nay*. The Rev. Dr. Gray. — *Aye*.

### LAY VOTE.

PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. Hay, Shoenberger, and Church. — *Nay*.

QUINCY. — Mr. Wilkinson. — *Nay*.

SOUTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. McCrady, and Smith. — *Nay*. Mr. Memminger. — *Aye*.

WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Chapin, Robinson, and Shelby. — *Nay*.

## DIOCESSES DIVIDED.

### CLERICAL VOTE.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Mr. Jones. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Knight. — *Nay*.

DELAWARE. — The Rev. Dr. DuBois. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Littell. — *Nay*.

MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Elliott, and Leeds. — *Aye*. The Rev. Drs. Hutton, and Lewin. — *Nay*.

PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Dr. McVickar. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Hare. — *Nay*.

VERMONT. — The Rev. Messrs. Randall, and Flanders. — *Aye*. The Rev. Messrs. Collins, and Smith. — *Nay*.

### LAY VOTE.

MINNESOTA. — Mr. Atwater. — *Aye*. Mr. Wilder. — *Nay*.

WISCONSIN. — Mr. Reigart. — *Aye*. Mr. Paul. — *Nay*.

The House accordingly concurred in the amendment of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, proposed in Message No. 32 from the House of Bishops.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Dix, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee of five Clerical and five Lay Deputies be appointed to nominate the Trustees of the General Seminary, provided for in the action of the House just taken.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the following Messages were received, and were referred to the Committee on Canons :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 14th day of the Session,  
October 18, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 41.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission be appointed by the two Houses for the purpose of formulating and codifying the law of discipline in this Church in such wise as to avoid uncertainties, and to insure a just restraint in all matters of doctrine, ritual, and morals.

*Resolved*, That it be referred to this Joint Commission to consider and report upon the expediency of providing some other mode, not of the nature of criminal procedure, than that which now exists, for the settlement of vexed questions.

*Resolved*, That it be further referred to this Joint Commission to consider and report upon the expediency of providing for the creation of an *Appellate Court* of ultimate resort for the final determination of Ecclesiastical causes.

Attest: WILLIAM TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 304.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 14th day of the Session,  
October 18, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 42.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :—

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this House, the Treasurer's account should be rendered triennially to each House of the Convention, and audited by a Joint Committee of the same, according to the requirements of Title III., Canon I., Section iv ; and that, in all expenditures of money for the purposes of the General Convention, the action of each House of the Convention should be had, in accordance with the same Canon, to give validity to an appropriation.

*Resolved*, That the above resolution be transmitted to the House of Deputies.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 287.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 14th day of the Session,  
October 18, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 43.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That an additional section, to be numbered Section v., be added to Title II., Canon I., to read as follows:—

§ v. It shall be the duty of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of any Diocese or Jurisdiction of this Church, to present for trial before the Ecclesiastical Court, constituted under the Canons of that Diocese or Jurisdiction, any Clergyman canonically resident therein, who has been convicted in any civil or criminal court of record of any crime, misdemeanor, or immorality; such presentment being based upon the alleged crime or immorality of which the Clergyman has been found guilty by said court.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 289.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the two resolutions appended to which were adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 17.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred the Canons on Ordination presented by the Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina, as well as the Memorial on the subject of Standing Committees from the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland, and others; that on the admission to candidacy of the Rev. Mr. Taylor of Springfield, and also the propositions concerning the ordination of Deacons, presented by the Rev. Dr. Thrall of Springfield; the amendment as to the duty of Standing Committees, offered by the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York; the subject of giving the substance instead of the precise words of Testimonials in the Canons, on the motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison of Albany; and the Report of the Joint Committee on Testimonials:—

Respectfully report, That, in their judgment, it will be impossible for the Convention at this time to give the subject the attention its importance demands; and therefore propose the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That the whole subject of Canons of Ordination, together with the papers on the subject referred to the Committee on Canons, be referred to a Committee of this House, to consist of three Clergymen and two Laymen, to act *ad interim* and report to the House of Deputies, at the next General Convention, such a scheme as may seem to them advisable.

*Resolved*, That the Committee thus appointed be authorized to print their report in time to circulate it among the members of the ensuing General Convention.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 18.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred a Memorial from the Diocese of Missouri on the subject of Marriage, and the Report of the Joint Committee on Marriage with Relatives, beg respectfully to report:—

That, in their opinion, the request of the Diocese of Missouri, that the Church shall clearly set forth the law by which her Ministers and members are to be governed in solemnizing the most sacred of all human contracts, is

a reasonable request. At the solemnization of every marriage, the Minister is required to warn the parties, that, if any persons are joined together otherwise than as God's Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful. It is certainly not too much to ask that the Church shall declare what marriages the Word of God doth not allow.

The Committee are not disposed to neglect other important matters brought to their attention in the Memorial from the Diocese of Missouri; but they think that the subject of marriage is not one which can properly be disposed of in separate parts, and they would deprecate any action upon these matters otherwise than in connection with the whole subject.

The Committee would equally deprecate any hasty or inconsiderate action upon the subject of marriage as a whole. It is one of the very gravest moral and social questions with which the Church can ever be called to deal. The influence of our legislation concerning it must necessarily extend far beyond the limits of our own communion; and we owe it to society at large, as well as to the Church, that whatever we may do shall be wisely and deliberately done. At this moment it is doubtful whether the subject of marriage has been sufficiently studied, in all its parts, by any sufficient number even of our most eminent men, to assure us that a present settlement of the grave questions connected with it would be permanently satisfactory.

On the other hand, the Committee are of the opinion that this Church cannot long continue, consistently with duty or dignity, to refuse to declare what her law is concerning the marriage of relatives. In 1877 a Joint Committee of both Houses was appointed to take this subject into consideration; and in 1880 two reports were submitted by a majority and a minority of that Committee. The majority (using the language of the House of Bishops in 1808) maintained that the English Table of Prohibited Degrees "is now obligatory on this Church, and must remain so, unless there should hereafter appear cause to alter it without departing from the Word of God, or endangering the peace and good order of this Church." The minority were of the opinion "that it is inexpedient at this time to set forth" the same Table "as the authoritative dictum of this Church." The Joint Committee having discharged the duty committed to it, the whole subject was laid over for consideration at the present Convention, and is now before us as unfinished business.

The Committee are impressed with the conviction that the Church ought also to consider whether it lies in our power to do any thing more than we have already done to resist the too general tendency to laxity in morals, and to the disruption of the divinely instituted bond of the family by the practice of easy divorce.

But, even if we were prepared to deal with these important matters, there is no prospect that they can receive due consideration at the present time; and yet, in view of what has been said, it does not seem right or conscientious to let them pass from view as if they were unworthy of deliberation. On the contrary, the Committee think that they ought to be considered, if possible, with greater care than they have ever been before, by a Committee of Bishops, Canonists, and Jurists, specially chosen for the purpose of studying these subjects from all points of view.

The following resolution is therefore submitted for the action of the House:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee to consist of three Bishops, three Clergymen learned in the Canon Law, and three Laymen being jurists, be appointed to consider the duty of the Church in relation to the whole subject of marriage, including the impediments to the contract thereof, the manner of its solemnization, and the conditions of its dissolution, and to report to the next General Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.



The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Reports, which were placed on the Calendar : —

## REPORT No. 19.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the amendment of Title I., Canon 11, proposed by Rev. Mr. Marks of Mississippi, respectfully report the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 11, be amended so as to read as follows : —

## CANON 11.

*Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.*

§ i. [1.] When a Deacon or Priest, ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, desires to be admitted into the same as a Minister thereof, such person must give notice of his desire to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he may be resident, stating, first, whether he has applied for admission in any other Diocese; and, second, the grounds and reasons of his desire; and, third, furnishing authentic evidence of his ordination and of his good standing in the Communion to which he has belonged.

[2.] With the aforesaid notice of desire must be presented a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the applicant, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the Communion to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they shall also add what they know or believe of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

[3.] If, on receipt of such notice and certificate, the Bishop authorize further procedure, the applicant shall apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation, in order to which he must lay before the Committee : —

1. His Letters of Orders, or other sufficient proof of his ordination.

2. A testimonial from at least twelve persons, each of whom shall be either a member of the Communion from which he comes, or of the Protestant Episcopal Church, — satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the applicant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

3. A testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the applicant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

[4.] The Standing Committee, on receipt of such testimonial, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Committee consenting, proceed to recommend the applicant to the Bishop, for admission to the Ministry of this Church.

§ ii. When the applicant has been recommended by the Standing Committee, the Bishop, with the assistance of the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, shall examine him as to his theological acquirements, and especially on those points in which the Communion from which he comes differs from this Church; and the applicant shall also, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, the Bishop may receive him as a Minister of this Church: *Provided*, That said subscription, and admission to the Ministry of this Church, shall not take place within twelve months from



the date of his original application to the Bishop, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to admit him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

§ iii. Should the applicant not be a citizen of the United States, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, with the notice of his desire to be admitted to the Ministry of this Church, satisfactory evidence that he has at that time resided at least one year in the United States.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman.*

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 295.)

#### REPORT NO. 20.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the Report of the Special Committee on the action of the Sewanee Conference, together with the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Weller of the Diocese of Florida, respectfully report:—

That they have given to the whole subject referred to them the most earnest and sympathetic consideration. They are deeply impressed with the perplexities and anxieties which affect the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church in the Southern States, in the prosecution of their work under the peculiar conditions which exist in that region of our common country. They appreciate the noble aspirations of the Church in the South to accomplish in the fullest possible measure the evangelization of the poor and ignorant whom the providence of God has committed to their special care.

They believe that the Church at large ought to regard that work as the common work of our whole body, to be sustained by our general resources, as well as by our universal sympathy. They freely admit that any appeal made by our Southern brethren, for aid from the Church, in whatever form, whether financial or canonical, deserves a willing and careful consideration.

It is with great reluctance, therefore, that the Committee on Canons report unfavourably on the Canon originally draughted by the Sewanee-Conference, and subsequently amended by a Special Committee of this House. The reasons leading to this conclusion may be briefly stated:—

1. In the opinion of the Committee, the difficulties attending the missionary work at the South are of so peculiar a character, that any action of the Church at large concerning them would be likely to give rise to injurious complications, so that legislation intended for good might probably tend to evil. Moreover, it is conceivable that some of the existing perplexities may prove to be less permanent or less formidable than they are now believed to be; and it is not improbable that difficulties which present themselves under one form in a particular Diocese may assume a different form elsewhere. In either case, any legislation of this Convention might eventually be a cause of serious embarrassment.

2. In respect to the particular Canon referred to the Committee, we are of the opinion that the established and well-recognized powers of the Dioceses, under their existing autonomy, are entirely adequate to provide every suitable agency for carrying on the work contemplated, so that no legislation of this Convention seems to be necessary.

3. In the judgment of the Committee, the Church cannot too carefully avoid the appearance of drawing lines of classification and distinction between the followers of our common Lord; and they fear that the proposed Canon, if adopted, would tend to such a result, and would produce dissensions in those portions of the Church which were chiefly meant to be benefited by it.

While the Committee are constrained, for these reasons, to report adversely to the proposed Canon, and also to the proposal to erect, Missionary

Bishoprics for the special charge of the coloured people, they are so deeply interested in the subject that they venture to pass beyond the ordinary routine of their duties by submitting the following resolutions for the action of the Convention:—

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this House, the work of the Church among the coloured people ought to be regarded as a common work of our whole body, and, as such, ought to receive a large share of the cares and benefactions of our Board of Missions, and the sympathy and assistance of all Churchmen.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society be, and are hereby, requested to take this subject into immediate consideration, and to appropriate as large an amount as possible to the Missions of the Church to the coloured people in all parts of the country.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 280.)

#### REPORT No. 21.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a Message (No. 20) from the House of Bishops, proposing amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., relating to the retirement of a Bishop from his Jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, respectfully report:—

That they have considered the same, and are of opinion that the Canon at present sufficiently provides for such retirement by permitting a Bishop to resign his Jurisdiction, and thus obtain relief from Episcopal duties, whenever such resignation is made and accepted in the manner mentioned in said Canon.

The amendments proposed in said Message appear to be based upon a supposed distinction between the resignation by a Bishop of his Jurisdiction and his retirement from such Jurisdiction. This distinction does not appear, to your Committee, to be so clear and important as to render the proposed legislation necessary or expedient.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., communicated by them in their Message No. 20.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 295.)

#### REPORT No. 22.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 24 from the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment to Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.], communicated in their Message No. 24, with an amendment adding thereto the words following:—

*Provided*, That before ordination he shall be a Candidate in such Diocese for not less than six months.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 295.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was adopted:—

REPORT No. 23.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred a proposed amendment to Title III., Canon 9, Section i., Article VII., of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, offered by the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York; and also Message No. 31 from the House of Bishops, communicating an amendment of the same Article to the same effect. — respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title III., Canon 9, Section i., Article VII., of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, communicated to this House by Message No. 31.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

REPORT No. 24.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 16 from the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 9, Section iii., Clause [5.], respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, which embodies the action on that subject already proposed by them to the House in their report No. 7:—

*Resolved*, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 9, Section iii., [5], communicated to this House in their Message No. 16, with the amendment that such clause do read as follows:—

[5.] He shall not deliver Sermons of his own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

For the consideration of the Report, see p. 277.)

The Rev. Dr. Hall, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 10.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom the House referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, in response to the request of the Committee on Canons (see their Report No. 2), that it should be so referred, respectfully report:—

The original resolution reads as follows:—

Addition to Title I., Canon 22, Section i.: “Except that the General Convention may authorize the tentative use (during the interval from one of its sessions to another) of any proposed alterations or additions to the Book of

Common Prayer that may have been recommended by a Committee appointed at a previous session."

The Committee have considered the subject, and agree in the language of the Committee on Canons, "that, in their judgment, the object proposed cannot be attained by an amendment of the Canon."

The Committee would respectfully refer to the exhaustive opinion offered upon a similar application of the Committee on Canons to this Committee, which may be found on pp. 114-116, Journal of 1874.

Article 8 of the Constitution is imperative, that the Prayer Book "*shall be used*," and states the only way in which "any alteration or addition shall be made;" which language is considered exclusive of all expedients.

The Committee ask to be discharged.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Porter, Report No. 20 of the Committee on Canons was taken from the Calendar, and made the Order of the Day for Tuesday next, at 11 A.M. (See p. .)

The President appointed as members of the Committee required by the resolution appended to Report No. 17 of the Committee on Canons (see p. 248), the Rev. Dr. Watson, the Rev. Dr. Dix, the Rev. Dr. Garrison, Mr. Edmunds, and Mr. Sheffey.

The President appointed as the Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, the Rev. Dr. Leeds, the Rev. Dr. Huske, the Rev. Dr. Schenck, the Rev. Dr. Rulison, the Rev. Dr. Worthington, Mr. Fish, Mr. Winthrop, Mr. Hay, Mr. Smith of Western New York, and Mr. Paul. (For Report, see p. 284.)

Mr. Nelson offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention adjourn *sine die* on Wednesday, the 24th October instant.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## FIFTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 19, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Littell and the Rev. Dr. Bates.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Nebraska.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, viz. : —

REPORT No. 10.

The Committee on Elections would report that leave of absence, for the remainder of the session, has been granted to Mr. Walter M. Wells, Diocese of Wisconsin; Mr. Frederick Stahl, Diocese of Illinois; the Rev. E. M. Van Deusen, D.D., Diocese of Central New York; the Rev. E. G. Benners, Diocese of Texas; the Rev. Edward Rudd, Diocese of Quincy; and, after to-day, to the Rev. Spruille Burford, Diocese of Western Michigan.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

The following Message was received, and, on motion, was concurred in : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 14th day of the Session,  
October 17, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 44.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee on Emigration be appointed, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, whose duty it shall be to gather the requisite facts, to correspond with the Ecclesiastical Authorities in other countries, and to devise such means as will protect the interests of the emigrants, and place them under proper spiritual influence.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

The President appointed as members of the Committee called for in the foregoing Message, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the Rev. Dr. Davies, the Rev. Mr. Converse, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Tracy, and Mr. Coffin.

Mr. Meads, from the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, etc., presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen have met, but, after discussion, have found themselves unable as yet to agree upon any substantive measures, which would be practically available in meeting the difficulties and settling the important questions involved in the subject. It is, however, one of growing importance, especially in view of the difficulty of avoiding bringing the law of the Church in conflict with the laws of the several States regulating the organization of Church corporations and the powers and functions of their offices.

The proper adjustment of these relations will require patient investigation and conference. One of the members of this Committee, after giving careful study and reflection to the subject, has embodied the results of his investigations in the form of a statement, which, in the judgment of your Committee, contains so much valuable thought and information, that the Committee, without being prepared to adopt it, have nevertheless thought it advisable to annex it to their Report, to the end that it may be printed with it for the information of the Church, and the more convenient use of any Committee who may be charged with the further consideration of the subject.



Under these circumstances the Committee ask to be continued, and that two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be added to their number; and they submit the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen be continued, and that two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be added to their number.

All which is respectfully submitted.

O. MEADS, *for the Committee.*

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

(For the statement referred to in the foregoing Report, see Appendix X.)

The President appointed, as additional members called for by the foregoing resolution, the Rev. Dr. Leeds, the Rev. Dr. Anstice, Mr. Hance, and Mr. Shoenberger.

The Rev. Dr. Dix, from the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, presented the following Report, viz.:—

The Joint Committee on the Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language beg leave respectfully to report as follows:—

This Committee was originally appointed in the year 1868: it has been continued from Convention to Convention since that date. Although this is the first report, it would be an incorrect inference that the members of the Committee have been idle, or indifferent to the work assigned to them. On the contrary, much attention has been given to the subject, and information and material of value have been collected during the years which have elapsed since their appointment. The composition of the Joint Committee has undergone much change, several persons who were once members of it having passed out of this world. Especial mention should be made of the labours of the late lamented and beloved Abner Jackson, D.D., who was deeply interested in this subject, who, during a visit to Europe, made important and careful investigations in that line, and who left to his surviving colleagues a number of volumes, in print and in manuscript, bearing on the matter of reference, together with oral statements of some of the results of his careful and judicious researches.

One reason for the long delay in presenting a report may be found in the variance of opinions as to the practical value of a French version of the Book of Common Prayer, if one should be made. The number of persons in the United States who need such a book is exceedingly small: there is one congregation, and only one, in the city of New York, and only one in the city of Philadelphia, in which the French Prayer Book is now used. Besides these, your Committee know of no others. It has seemed to members of your Committee, that such a version might be regarded rather as an interesting contribution to our liturgical collections, than as a practical implement in the work of the Church. While some have doubted the necessity of securing such a version, others have been daunted by the great difficulties in the way of its preparation,—difficulties which it is easier to state than to overcome. Of the versions now in use, not one is satisfactory, and some are very objectionable. A new one, if made, should be as near perfection as skill and learning could make it; and yet, after all, the actual field for its use is exceedingly contracted. But, on the other hand, the importance of proceeding in the work has been urged in view of a possible influence on bodies not in communion with us. It is well



known to residents in France, and others who are familiar with the state of religion among the Protestants of that country, that a deplorable disintegration is in progress among them; and that they are wandering farther and farther away from principles which we esteem as essential to the safety of Church organizations and the preservation of the true religion. And it has been believed that the mere circulation of our Book of Common Prayer among those unfortunate and bewildered Christians might not be without a salutary effect, in presenting them with a model of a truly Catholic and primitive Liturgy, purified from the corruption and errors of the Roman devotional books, and no less clear of the taint of modern rationalism. But it is obvious that such a book, to command the respect of the better class, should, in addition to its other claims upon them, be free from solecism, crudity, vulgarity, and commonplace; that it should not only present them with the simple and sincere truths of the Gospel, but also that it should enshrine those truths in a setting as near perfection as scholarship can make it, and in terms the most impressive, the most dignified, and the most appropriate, which their native tongue affords. Now, this would be a task worthy of the best ability that the Church can evoke from within, or secure outside her pale; and such considerations, duly weighed, have but rendered the Joint Committee more sensible of the difficulty of the task before them.

The late Dr. Jackson, to whom reference has already been made, when on a visit to London some years ago, conversed on this subject with the Clergyman then in pastoral charge of the French residents in that place, in communion with the Church of England, and very familiar with the work in the Channel Islands. That personage spoke, in the strongest terms, of the Versions of the Prayer Book which he was obliged to use; stating, that (to quote his precise expression) he felt, as a scholar and student, "excoriated" in the discharge of his function of conducting public worship in language so poor and commonplace. Regarding testimony of this particular character as most important in its bearing on the subject, your Committee have given much time to obtaining, chiefly by correspondence, the views of Clergymen engaged in pastoral work among French-speaking people, on the points which they considered most important in dealing with the present subject. For that purpose, they addressed to the persons whom it was thought most desirable to consult, a series of questions as follows:—

1. What Versions of the Book of Common Prayer in the French tongue are most generally used in this country and elsewhere, and by what authority?

2. What are, in your opinion, the defects in those Versions?

3. Do you think it advisable that a new Version should be made? If so, have you any suggestions to offer on the subject?

4. Do you think it advisable that an entirely new Version of the Psalter should be made? or is any one of the Versions now in use satisfactory?

5. Do you think that the portions of Holy Scripture appointed for the Epistles and Gospels should be translated anew from the originals? or, if not, what Version of the Holy Scriptures in French do you recommend as satisfactory?

6. In addresses to the Deity, should the pronoun be used in the singular, "*Tu*," or in the plural, "*Vous*"?

7. What French scholars would you name as skilled in Liturgies, and therefore worthy to be consulted if the work should be undertaken?

The answers to these questions disclose a great diversity of opinion among the individuals to whom they were addressed. This Committee do not consider it proper to publish, either in whole or in part, the correspondence referred to; but, in the summary which is to follow, they have put down nothing excepting what they have on file in letters received by them in reply to their communications.

In general, it may be stated, that all the persons consulted have expressed

themselves as dissatisfied — more or less; yet, at all events, in some particulars — with the version which they are using at present, and have approved the design of causing a new version to be made; some of them adding the wish that the work might be begun at once, and carried on with all practicable speed.

In particular, your Committee have elicited the following information:—

The English Society for promoting Christian Knowledge prints versions of the Book of Common Prayer in many languages, a full list of which may be found in the official Year Book of the Church of England. All these versions are in use, undergoing occasional revision in minor points, and in general they are regarded as acceptable. That society has great facilities for producing, not merely versions of the Sacred Scriptures and Book of Common Prayer, but also such other works as it may deem serviceable in any part of the world. It has now in the press grammars, dictionaries, and school-books, in languages spoken in the interior of Africa, and intended for the use of missionaries in those regions. Its versions of the Book of Common Prayer are literal translations of the English Book; no account being taken of the original sources of the volume, and no attempt being made to translate directly from the Hebrew, Greek, or ancient Latin; reference being had, however, to the Latin version put out under authority during the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and re-issued in 1685 with the revision of 1662. Suggestions are frequently received from the District Secretaries of the Society in foreign parts, as to the needs of the people in the places where they reside, and as to questions of philology affecting the work of the Church on its literary side. The Committee on Foreign Translation work under a system of rules, and are able to furnish translations in any known tongue, as may be required. The version in French is used in the Mauritius, in Canada, and in the Channel Islands. The need of a better version is felt, and a plan for making one has been projected by the Society; but an obstacle has been encountered in the unwillingness of the people in the Channel Islands to admit a new text. They use an old translation, printed in the last century, and are not inclined to modify it. Your Committee believe that this is the version referred to by the Clergyman in London, who, as has been already stated, gave the Rev. Dr. Jackson his opinion of its merits. Notwithstanding these objections, it is stated that a new version in French is in process of preparation, and that the Channel Islands Committee are submitting the copy to the closest criticism, as they advance in their work.

The only French Episcopal Churches in the United States, so far as your Committee are informed and believe, are the Church *du Saint-Esprit* in the city of New York, and the Church *du Saint Sauveur* in the city of Philadelphia. The Rev. C. Miel, Pastor of the latter, informs the Joint Committee that he uses what is commonly known as the "New York Book," somewhat modified; and, for the Psalms, a translation made from the Hebrew by F. Claude, Professor at the Academy of Paris. The history of the New York Version, as given by the Rev. A. V. Wittmeyer, Pastor of the Church *du Saint-Esprit*, is as follows:—

The first version used in New York was printed in that city by Robert Wolson in 1803. The arrangements for the publication of that work were made by the late John Pintard, and the expenses were borne by subscription among private individuals. It does not appear who was the author, although internal evidence shows that it was made up of several existing translations of parts of the sacred books of the Church. The probability is, that the Rev. Mr. Albert, at that time Pastor of the Congregation, was its compiler and editor.

This performance, which was a very poor one, never received the sanction of the General Convention, but for want of any thing better it continued in use till the year 1831. As early as 1817, the General Convention recommended its revision, with the intention of then setting it forth and

making its use obligatory in all French congregations. But nothing was done in the matter until after the settlement of the Rev. Antoine Verren as Pastor of the *Église du Saint-Esprit* in 1828. Soon after that date, Mr. Verren, apparently aided by some other persons whose names do not appear, was invited by the Bishop of New York to carry out the recommendation of the General Convention. The volume which was the result of the labours of these persons appeared in 1831, was authorized by Bishop Onderdonk, and was immediately introduced in the church of which the Rev. Mr. Verren was Rector.

This volume appears to have received the sanction of the General Convention: it was, however, very unsatisfactory in many particulars. It did not include a metrical version of the Psalms, which was required in the resolution of 1817: it did not always correctly represent the meaning of the English Book, much less did it reproduce and reflect its peculiar dignity and solemnity; nor was it free from grammatical errors. Accordingly, in the year 1844, a committee was appointed by the General Convention to revise Mr. Verren's work, and at the same time to prepare a version of the Psalms in rhyme. The committee included Mr. Verren himself as one of its members: after a short time he withdrew, while his colleagues continued their task without his aid, producing, in 1846, another book. This is the volume now published by the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society. Although in some respects an improvement on the book which preceded it, it is considered to be in many more points decidedly inferior. In the mean time, Mr. Verren, the seceding member of the committee, proceeded with the work of revision on his own responsibility; and in the year 1856 he caused to be printed in Paris, at his own expense, a new version. This he thereupon introduced into his own parish; and it is this version which has been ever since, and is now, in use in the congregation formerly under his charge.

From what has now been collected, it appears that there is not anywhere in use a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French tongue which is free from serious defects. Of the translation now in use in New York, it is the opinion of good critics, that although unquestionably superior to any which preceded it, and even deserving consideration as a creditable piece of literary work, it has glaring defects, among which the following may be noted. Unnecessary and hypercritical changes have been made; the best French translations extant at the time were not followed in the Psalter, Epistles, and Gospels; and there is a general failure to reproduce the special spirit and tone of the English original. The fact that a new version of the Psalter has been adopted in Philadelphia indicates the evidently unsatisfactory character of the New York Book. Your Committee do not hesitate, after hearing testimony on that point, to express the opinion that there does not at present exist an acceptable version of the Prayer Book in the French tongue. They further consider that one reason for this is that the aim has been solely to make an exact and literal translation from the English, without due regard to the genius of the two languages, and to such models as exist of a liturgical French, if there is such a thing. The process of merely dressing up French words in an English garb does not meet the exigencies of the case, nor can it be expected that such work can sustain criticism.

Deeming it advisable that a new translation should be attempted, your Committee find a general concurrence in the opinion, that, while considerable latitude should be left to the translator as regards the English portions of the text, it would be advisable that new translations should be made of all those parts of the book which were originally written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin, or, at least, that reference should be had to the best versions of the Holy Scriptures now to be found. But it is urged, and with good reason, that the work should not be done hastily; that it should be confided to none but persons who have made a special study of liturgical French; and

that the deficiencies which exist may be found to be in part inherent in the French language itself; the French nation have not, like the English and the German, the advantage of the possession of liturgical treasures in the vernacular; and work of the kind now in contemplation would take a long time, and involve extensive study, before a result could be produced which would secure the approval of persons versed in ritualistic study.

Of the two French Protestant translations of the Holy Scriptures hitherto in almost general use, your Committee find it stated, on good authority, that Osterwald's can scarcely be regarded as French, and Martin's is often a paraphrase rather than a translation. Neither of these translations is from the originals: they are merely revisions of the Geneva Version of 1588, which in its turn was based on that of Olivetan in 1535; and that was based on the version of Lefèvre in 1530, which last was a translation of the Vulgate. During the last few years, however, four new translations have appeared. Of these, that by Dr. Louis Segond is highly commended. It is really an entirely new work, based directly on the original Hebrew and Greek, and a work of sound textual criticism. It has already gone through several editions; of which the latest, published at Oxford, contained fifty thousand copies. It appears, therefore, that the next revisers will find valuable material now ready to their hand, as regards those portions of the Prayer Book which are taken directly from the Holy Scriptures.

The question of the use of the pronoun in addressing the Supreme Being is one of no little interest. The French use the pronoun in the singular and in the plural, *Tu* and *Vous*; there is no little variance of opinion on the point which use best befits the nature of the action. It is said, on the one hand, that the words "thee" and "thou" are the ordinary terms in speaking to children, servants, and inferiors: on the other hand, it is urged that they are quite as appropriate, if not indispensable, where most intimate and loving relations exist. The child may thus address the parent, as properly and naturally as the parent the child; and brother and sister, husband and wife, and very dear friends invariably express themselves in that way. But yet the use of the second person plural *Vous* has unquestionably a dignity, a solemnity, a reverence, not to be found in the singular number. Apart from these considerations, however, your Committee find, that the genius of theological controversy must be recognized as an important factor in what might otherwise have been treated as a matter of mere literary and æsthetic taste, or sacred propriety. The use of the plural form is almost exclusively confined to the Roman-Catholic devotional books, while the Protestants as invariably use the singular. Hence the lines of theological difference are so strictly drawn, that to the common French intelligence the point might appear to involve the very essence and vitality of religion; and this explains the excitement evidently caused in some quarters by the mere suggestion that in our revision, if we were to attempt it, the plural form, hitherto never used, should be substituted for the singular to which French Protestants are accustomed. It is true, that the Romanists do also use the singular form; the Jesuits, for instance, in their best Cantiques; and it may be said, in favour of the interchangeable use of both forms, that while the singular *Tu* expresses aptly enthusiastic faith and love, and is well adapted to flights of oratory and rapt devotion, and therefore is always to be preferred in psalmody and lyric composition, the plural *Vous* is better adapted to express emotions of awe and reverence, and suits the language of penitence and deprecation. Still the prejudices of the French Protestants are so strong that no argument would be apt to remove them; while it may be justly urged on this side, that the use of the second person singular in addressing Almighty God is consecrated by the two great biblical literatures, the Hebrew and the Greek; that it is the only mode of address admitted in the Latin; that it has passed from the Latin into all the languages which are derived from it, and that the substitution of the plural form ought therefore to be regarded as an



innovation. These views are not by any means held by all the Protestants whom we have consulted; some admit the greater dignity and solemnity of the Roman use, and express the wish that it might be adopted by ourselves; but little would be gained by a measure which, however justifiable when tested by the Canons of good taste and propriety, would probably encounter the excited and angry opposition of those whose prejudices are inseparable from the action of their judgment on questions like this.

Your Committee have presented the results of their inquiries. They are unanimously of the opinion that it is advisable to proceed, without further delay, in the work of preparing a new version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French tongue: they feel the difficulty of accomplishing the task in a satisfactory manner, but are willing to make the experiment, and hope to be able to overcome all obstacles to the prosecution of their design. They perceive that considerable expense will be incurred: they will endeavor to meet this by private subscription, and they do not propose to throw any part of the cost on the funds of the General Convention. They accordingly submit for the adoption of the House the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Joint Committee be continued, and that the vacancies now existing in it be filled.

*Resolved*, That this Joint Committee be authorized to prepare a new translation of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, to be presented, when complete, to the General Convention: *Provided*, That the cost of making and printing the said version be not chargeable to the funds of this Convention.

*Resolved*, That this Committee report to the General Convention to be held in the year 1886.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. ROBERTSON.  
J. N. GALLEHER.  
MORGAN DIX.  
CLINTON LOCKE.  
PROFESSOR EGLESTON.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the foregoing Report were adopted, *seriatim*.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Percival to fill the vacancy in the foregoing Committee.

Mr. Withers, from the Committee of Conference on the Powers of Joint Special Committees, presented the following Report:—

The Committee of Conference, appointed to consider the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the powers and functions of Joint Special Committees, respectfully report, that, after full and free conference, they recommend that the House of Bishops recede from its objection to the former report of the Conference Committee, and concur in the same.

C. F. ROBERTSON,  
HENRY C. LAY,  
OZI W. WHITAKER,  
ALEX. BURGESS,

*Committee of the House of Bishops.*

R. E. WITHERS,  
HAMILTON FISH,  
J. F. GARRISON,  
H. P. BALDWIN,

*Committee of the House of Deputies.*

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from a Special Joint Committee on increasing the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Joint Committee appointed “to consider and report the best methods of increasing the ability and extending the benefits of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen,” beg leave to report the following resolutions for adoption by this Convention:—

WHEREAS, The Bishop of Minnesota has generously offered to give to the Trustees a lot in the city of Faribault, with a building on it well adapted to be used as a Home for Aged and Infirm Clergymen and their families; therefore,

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Trustees of the “Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen,” be and are hereby authorized, if they deem it expedient, to accept the proposed gift, and to arrange for its management by a local Board as representative of the Church at large.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions be requested to allow the use of two pages in each number of “The Spirit of Missions” for the purposes of this Fund.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Trustees of this Fund be instructed to secure, if possible, the vesting of the copyright of the book annexed to the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, until its final adoption, in the Trustees of this Fund.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That every Minister in charge of a Congregation be requested to reserve, from this time forth, out of “the Alms and other devotions” of the people, collected upon each and every occasion of the administration of the Holy Communion, an amount equivalent to not less than one, nor more than ten, per cent of the whole amount, to be forwarded and paid over to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

HENRY C. LAY,  
E. A. HOFFMAN,  
*For the Joint Committee.*

On motion, the first two of the foregoing resolutions were adopted, *seriatim*. The consideration of the third resolution was postponed; and the fourth resolution, with an amendment offered by the Rev. Mr. Upjohn, to strike out the words “each and every occasion of,” and inserting in their place “the first Sunday of each month,” was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Reports, which were placed on the Calendar:—

#### REPORT No. 11.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the Message of the House of Bishops No. 29, to wit:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following sentence be inserted in Article 3 of the Constitution, after the words “it shall have



the operation of law," in the sixteenth line: "*Provided*, That days on which there is no session of the House of Bishops be not counted among the three days aforesaid;"

Respectfully report that they have considered the subject, and offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House non-concurs in the said Message No. 29.

CHARLES H. HALL.

(For the consideration of this Report, see p. 279.)

#### REPORT No. 12.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred a needed change in the phraseology of Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution, on motion made in the House of Deputies by Dr. Harwood of Connecticut, and amended by the Hon. Hamilton Fish of New York, and also made in the House of Bishops, beg leave respectfully to report the following resolutions, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in amending Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution, so that the words "the House of Deputies" be substituted for the word "Convention" in the fourteenth line of Article 2 of the Constitution as printed in the Digest of the Convention of 1880; and that the words "the House of Deputies" be, in like manner, substituted for the word "Convention" in the twelfth line of Article 3 as printed above.

*Resolved*, That the amendments so proposed be adopted and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, as required by Article 9.

By order, for the Committee.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 279.)

The Rev. Dr. Hall, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution respectfully report the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in the form of the amendment of the Fifth Article of the Constitution, proposed in Message No. 14 from the House of Bishops, and asks for a Committee of Conference.

By order of the Committee.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

The President appointed as the Committee of Conference called for by the preceding resolution, Mr. Wilder, Mr. Abert, and the Rev. Dr. Brown. (For Report of Committee, see p. 285.)

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit: Report No. 7 of the Committee on Canons, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 9, relating to Lay Readers.

(For the Report, see p. 201.)

Mr. Cornwall offered the following amendment to the proposed Canon:—

To insert after the words, "in which he is licensed," the following: "unless when sojourning in another Diocese where he has not access to the services of the Church;" also, to strike out the words limiting the duration of the license to one year from its date.

On motion, the House adjourned to eight P.M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the business on the Calendar. The question recurring on the amendment offered by Mr. Cornwall, the amendment was lost.

On motion, the Canon proposed in the Report of the Committee was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit: Report No. 9, of the Committee on Canons, relating to Courts of Appeal (see p. 202). On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted, and the Committee discharged.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Sansom, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee, consisting of three Bishops, three Clerical, and three Lay Deputies, be appointed to recommend the place at which shall be held the next General Convention.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## SIXTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 20, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Capers, and the Rev. Dr. Rulison. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Quincy.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following Messages were received, viz.:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 45.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 27 of the House of Deputies, appointing a Joint Committee to consider the duty of the Church in relation to the whole subject of Marriage, and to report to the next General Convention.

And that it appoints as members of such Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishops of Rhode Island, Albany, and Central New York.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 46.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the second Sunday after the Epiphany be set apart by this Church, as a day of special intercession for our schools and colleges; and that the Bishops be requested to set forth, and authorize for use, prayers specially adapted for this purpose.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in Message No. 46.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 47.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed on its part, as members of the Committee on Emigration referred to in Message No. 30 of the House of Deputies, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas, and the Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 48.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the resolution contained in Message No. 32 of the House of Deputies, as to a Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen; and it appoints as the additional members of such committee, on its part, the Bishop of Easton and the Bishop of Michigan.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 49.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the resolutions contained in Message No. 31 of the House of Deputies, as to continuing the Joint Committee on a Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, etc.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 50.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 34 of the House of Deputies, asking for a Committee of Conference on the proposed amendment to the Fifth Article of the Constitution, as communicated in Message No. 14 from the House of Bishops, on the subject of the admission of new Dioceses; and it appoints as such Committee, on its part, the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Long Island, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, and the Bishop of Springfield.

Attest:

WM TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report, viz. :—

REPORT No. 11.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper credentials have been received for Rev. H. C. Duncan, Diocese of Louisiana, in place of Rev. H. H. Waters, who has leave; and for the Rev. Jacob LeRoy, Diocese of New Hampshire, in place of the Rev. H. A. Coit, D.D., who is excused. These names will be placed on the roll.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session has been granted to Mr. W. R. Shelby, Diocese of Western Michigan.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

Whereupon the Rev. Messrs. Duncan and LeRoy appeared, and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar :—

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, beg leave to report :—

That for more than twelve years an effort has been made by the Trustees to increase this Fund;

That but little over \$2,000 has been accumulated, and that of late the contributions to the Fund have scarcely equalled the necessary outlay of the Trustees.

The Trustees are convinced that nothing can be done to increase this Fund, unless, perhaps, Diocesan agents be appointed who shall co-operate with the Trustees. But when we reflect upon the vast agencies similarly employed in behalf of the American Church-building Fund, and the comparatively meagre results, it may well be doubted whether this expedient would be advisable.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the amount now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund be paid to the Treasurers of the Domestic and Foreign Committees of the Board of Missions, to be divided between Domestic and Foreign Missions in proportion to the number of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Bishops.

2. *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 3, entitled, "*Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund*," be repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 295.)

Mr. Bates, from the Joint Commission on the subject of Church Incorporations, presented a Report (see Appendix VIII.) which was made the Order of the Day for Monday next, at twelve o'clock. (See p. 278.)

The President appointed as members of the Joint Committee to consider the duty of the Church on the subject of marriage, the Rev. Dr. Dix, the Rev. Dr. Fulton, the Rev. Dr. Franklin, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Bennett, and Mr. Granger.

The President appointed as members of the Joint Committee on recommending a place for holding the next General Convention, —

The Rev. Dr. Battershall, the Rev. Dr. Sansom, the Rev. Dr. McVickar, Mr. Fish, Mr. Judd, and Mr. King.

The Rev. Dr. Hall, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar: —

REPORT No. 14.

The Committee on Amendments of the Constitution, to whom was referred Message No. 30 of the House of Bishops, respectfully reports: —

The resolutions of said Message are as follows: —

The changes proposed are in the third, fourth, and sixth lines of the Tenth Article, and require, in place of a majority consent of the Bishops, that of three-fourths; also, that it be given in writing; also, that the Presiding Bishop shall take order in the premises, '*he* being satisfied,' in place of '*they*' as it now reads.

Your Committee are willing to stop with stating these variations as proposed by the resolutions, to which they would offer no opposition.

But they are of the opinion that any proposition looking to the change of Article 10 of the Constitution should aim at a thorough consideration of the same, as to many other points, and would involve some very important principles, which have not yet been decided by the authority of the Convention. Convinced that it is inexpedient to enter upon the discussion of such interesting questions at this time, under the great pressure of other important matters now before this House, they are constrained to offer the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, That this House non-concurs in said Message No. 30 of the House of Bishops.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 280.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar: —

REPORT No. 25.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 10, from the House of Bishops, proposing several amendments to Title I, Canon 15,

Respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend that the House concur with the House of Bishops in the amendments proposed to Sections iii., vii., ix., xv., and xvii., with verbal amendments, for the purpose of avoiding the use of the phrase "having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction," which has been diversely interpreted, and for simplifying the language.

As to the proposed repeal of Section vi., the Committee recommend that the House do not concur, for the reason that its provisions may possibly be found useful at some future time



The action recommended to the House is as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Sections iii., Clause [1.], ix., [2.], xv., [2.], [3.], and xvii., [1.], with the amendment that such clauses do read as follows:—

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

§ ix. [2.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

§ xv. [2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop, or Assistant Bishop, of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled: until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

§ xv. [3.] No Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.

§ xvii. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop



or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in their proposed amendment of Title I, Canon 15, Section vii., [3.].

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the proposed repeal of Title I., Canon 15, Section vi.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 300.)

The Rev. Dr. Elliott, from the Committee of Conference on the subject of the division of the Diocese of North Carolina, presented the following Report, viz. :—

The Joint Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses touching the division of the Diocese of North Carolina, and the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the present Diocese, have agreed to report that the Committee on the part of the House of Bishops have resolved to recommend to that House that they recede from their non-concurrence with the House of Deputies, and consent to the division of the Diocese of North Carolina, and the erection of a new Diocese within its limits.

HENRY A. NEELY,  
GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,  
*Committee of the House of Bishops.*

JOHN H. ELLIOTT,  
NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,  
A. J. DE ROSSET,  
ISAAC ATWATER,  
JOHN W. BROWN,  
H. P. BALDWIN,  
*Committee of the House of Deputies.*

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, to wit, Report No. 4 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, relating to graduated representation of Dioceses in the General Convention (see p. 210); the question being on the resolution appended to the Report.

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin moved to amend the resolution by strik-

ing out all after the word "Resolved," and inserting the following:—

[*Resolved,*] the House of Bishops concurring, That the second article of the Constitution be amended by striking out the first fourteen lines to the words, "a vote of the Convention," inclusive, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:—

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to representation by at least one Clerical and one Lay Deputy in every General Convention. If a Diocese have fifty or more resident Clergymen having a right to seats in the Diocesan Convention, it shall be entitled to two Deputies of each Order; if it have one hundred or more of such resident Clergymen, it shall be entitled to three Deputies of each Order; if it have two hundred or more of such resident Clergymen, it shall be entitled to four Deputies of each Order, and no more.

It shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop to act, then of the Standing Committee of each Diocese, to lay before the Diocesan Convention which is to choose Deputies to the General Convention, a list of the names of Clergymen certified as entitled to seats in said Diocesan Convention. By this list the number of Deputies to which the Diocese is entitled shall be determined as before said; and a certified copy of this list shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the General Convention before the time of its meeting.

In all questions, except amendments to the Constitution, each Deputy shall have one vote; but, when required by the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese, the vote shall be taken by orders, and the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That notice of the foregoing proposed amendment be given to the Conventions of the several Dioceses, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

The question being on the amendment, it was lost.

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted, and the Committee discharged.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, to wit, Report No. 3, of the same Committee, relating to a reduction in the number of Deputies from each Diocese. (For the Report, see p. 193.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted, and the Committee discharged.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, to wit, Report No. 5, of the same Committee, relating to amending Article 5 of the Constitution. (For the Report, see p. 223.) The question being on the resolution appended to the Report, the Diocese of North Carolina called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders. Of the Clergy there were 47 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 17; nays, 22; divided, 8. Of the Laity there were 37 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 17; nays, 18; divided, 2.

## DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

## CLERICAL VOTE.

- CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Brainard, Egar, and Goodrich. — *Aye*.  
 CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Leverett and Jones, and the Rev. Dr. Orrick. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Knight. — *Nay*.  
 CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Dr. Beardsley, and the Rev. Mr. Fogg. — *Aye*.  
 DELAWARE. — The Rev. Mr. Gordon, and the Rev. Dr. Du Bois. — *Aye*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Littell. — *Nay*.  
 FLORIDA. — The Rev. Mr. Thackara, and the Rev. Dr. Carter. — *Aye*.  
 The Rev. Dr. Weller. — *Nay*.  
 IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp. — *Aye*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Stilson. — *Nay*.  
 LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hall and Drowne. — *Aye*.  
 LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Girault and Duncan, and the Rev. Dr. Percival. — *Aye*.  
 MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hutton, Elliott, Leeds, and Lewin. — *Aye*.  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Drs. Lambert and Huntington. — *Aye*.  
 MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Watson, and the Rev. Mr. Gilbert. — *Aye*.  
 OHIO. — The Rev. Dr. Rulison, and the Rev. Mr. Osborne. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Hare and Goodwin. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Messrs. Capers and Johnson. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. McCollough. — *Nay*.  
 VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Hanckel and Peterkin. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Gibson. — *Nay*.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Cobbs, and Mason. — *Aye*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Leavell. — *Nay*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Anstice and Doty. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Rankine. — *Nay*.

## LAY VOTE.

- ALABAMA. — Messrs. Buell and Hurd. — *Aye*.  
 CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. McWhorter, Gardner, and Moss. — *Aye*.  
 DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis and Bates. — *Aye*.  
 GEORGIA. — Mr. Whittle. — *Aye*.  
 LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. King and Nicoll. — *Aye*.  
 LOUISIANA. — Mr. McConnell. — *Aye*.  
 MAINE. — Mr. Bridge. — *Aye*.  
 MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, Abert, and Wilmer. — *Aye*.  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Winthrop, Bennett, and Davis. — *Aye*.  
 MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Baldwin, Eaton, and Minor. — *Aye*.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Balcom. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Harrison and Coffin. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. McCrady, Smith, and Memminger. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Mr. Stettinius. — *Aye*.  
 VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Sheffey and Withers. — *Aye*. Mr. Taylor. — *Nay*.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — Messrs. White, McCandlish, and Rogers. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Mr. Macomb. — *Aye*.

## DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

## CLERICAL VOTE.

- ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Payne, Harison, and Morrison. — *Nay*.  
 ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Vaulx, and Stout. — *Nay*.  
 CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Birdsall, Chetwood, and Spalding, and the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie. — *Nay*.

- GEORGIA. — The Rev. Dr. Williams, and the Rev. Mr. Boone. — *Nay*.  
 ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Dr. Vibbert, and the Rev. Messrs. Sweet and Knowles. — *Nay*.  
 INDIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Scott and Faudé. — *Nay*.  
 KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Messrs. Ellerby and Bennett. — *Nay*.  
 KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Messrs. Minnigerode and Tschiffely. — *Nay*.  
 The Rev. Dr. Perkins. — *Aye*.  
 MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Messrs. Marks, Munford, and Logan. — *Nay*.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Messrs. Renouf, Smith, Roberts, and LeRoy. — *Nay*.  
 NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Hills and Franklin. — *Nay*. The Rev. Dr. Garrison. — *Aye*.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson, Huske, and Marshall, and the Rev. Mr. Hughes. — *Nay*.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Mr. Moffett. — *Nay*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Dr. Purdon, and the Rev. Messrs. Vincent and Carstensen. — *Nay*.  
 QUINCY. — The Rev. Messrs. Haskins and Wilkinson. — *Nay*. The Rev. Mr. Shrimpton. — *Aye*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Mr. Magill, and the Rev. Dr. Henshaw. — *Nay*. The Rev. Dr. Richards. — *Aye*.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Dr. Thrall, and the Rev. Messrs. Dresser, Taylor, and Davenport. — *Nay*.  
 TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Gray, and the Rev. Mr. Fitts. — *Nay*.  
 TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rogers and Rucker. — *Nay*.  
 VERMONT. — The Rev. Messrs. Collins and Smith. — *Nay*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Bancroft. — *Nay*.  
 WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Drs. Adams and Ashley, and the Rev. Mr. Pradt. — *Nay*. The Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck. — *Aye*.

## LAY VOTE.

- ALBANY. — Mr. Forsyth. — *Nay*.  
 CALIFORNIA. — Mr. Stephens. — *Nay*.  
 FLORIDA. — Mr. Fairbanks. — *Nay*.  
 ILLINOIS. — Messrs. Judd and Tilden. — *Nay*.  
 INDIANA. — Messrs. Martin and Kiersted. — *Nay*.  
 IOWA. — Mr. Mallory. — *Nay*.  
 KENTUCKY. — Mr. Cornwall. — *Nay*.  
 MISSOURI. — Mr. Lycett. — *Nay*.  
 NEW JERSEY. — Mr. Conover. — *Nay*.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. De Rosset and Henderson. — *Nay*.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Mr. Mills. — *Nay*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — Mr. Hay. — *Nay*.  
 QUINCY. — Mr. Wilkinson. — *Nay*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — Mr. Stiness. — *Nay*.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — Messrs. Candee and Davis. — *Nay*.  
 VERMONT. — Mr. Parker. — *Nay*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Chapin and Robinson. — *Nay*.  
 WISCONSIN. — Mr. Reigart. — *Nay*.

## DIOCESES DIVIDED.

## CLERICAL VOTE.

- ALABAMA. — Messrs. Johnston and Beard. — *Aye*. The Rev. Drs. Stringfellow and Banister. — *Nay*.

EASTON. — The Rev. Dr. Wilson. — *Aye.* The Rev. Dr. Dashiell. — *Nay.*  
FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Dafter and Prescott. — *Aye.* The  
Rev. Messrs. Vernor and Wright. — *Nay.*

MAINE. — The Rev. Messrs. Leffingwell and Fiske. — *Aye.* The Rev.  
Messrs. Washburn and Upjohn. — *Nay.*

MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Clark. — *Aye.* The Rev. Mr. Brewster. —  
*Nay.*

MISSOURI. — The Rev. Mr. Robert. — *Aye.* The Rev. Dr. Fulton. — *Nay.*

NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Mr. Shaw. — *Aye.* The Rev. Dr. McNamara. —  
*Nay.*

SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Dr. Bates and the Rev. Mr. Stanger. — *Aye.*  
The Rev. Dr. Benedict and the Rev. Mr. Webster. — *Nay.*

#### LAY VOTE.

CONNECTICUT. — Mr. Russell. — *Aye.* Mr. Stark. — *Nay.*

MINNESOTA. — Mr. Wilder. — *Aye.* Mr. Atwater. — *Nay.*

The resolution was, therefore, not adopted. On motion, the  
House adjourned.

### SEVENTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 22, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Henshaw and the  
Rev. Mr. Sweet. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop  
of North Carolina.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, pre-  
sented the following Report: —

#### REPORT No. 12.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials  
have been received for the Rev. W. G. W. Smith, Diocese of Texas, in place  
of Rev. E. G. Benners, who has leave; and for the Rev. R. Meech, Diocese  
of Pittsburgh, in place of the Rev. S. Earp, who has leave. These names  
have been given to the Secretary, and will be called on the roll.

Leave of absence for the rest of the Session has been granted to the Rev.  
Dr. Stringfellow and the Rev. Dr. Banister, Diocese of Alabama.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Mr. Wilder, from the Committee on Amendments to the Consti-  
tution, presented the following Report, which was placed on the  
Calendar: —

#### REPORT No. 15.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred  
Message No. 13 from the House of Bishops, touching the right of a Bishop

of ■ Missionary Jurisdiction to become the Bishop of a new Diocese formed from such Jurisdiction; and a resolution presented to this House upon the same subject, and referred to your Committee, — respectfully report, —

That they have considered the subject, and are of opinion, that, to attain the end desired, an amendment of the Fourth Article of the Constitution must be made; and while they concur with the House of Bishops in the principle set forth in the resolution of that House, proposing such amendment, they present the following form and manner of amendment of said Article as, in some respects, better adapted to the purpose contemplated than that proposed in the Message and Resolution of the House of Bishops; and, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution, viz :—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 4 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word “*and*,” in the third line of said Article, and inserting, in place thereof, the words following: “*Provided*, That when a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and *provided*, further, That when a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a new Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or, at his election, remain the Bishop of that part of such Jurisdiction not included in the new Diocese;” and leaving the residue of said Article to stand as an independent paragraph; and that the same be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 300.)

Mr. Chapin, from the Committee on Education, etc., presented the following Report.

#### REPORT No. 4.

The Joint Committee, etc., respectfully submit the following Report:—

Your Committee are convinced that no further consideration of the principle and methods of Christian education is needed. The general subject has been sufficiently treated in foregoing Reports. We have only one or two practical suggestions to offer. We need united action in the support of our present institutions. “Disunion is the death of action.” The Committee on the State of the Church reported, in 1880, 15 collegiate institutions in 12 Dioceses and three Missionary Jurisdictions; and 93 “academic institutions” in 38 Dioceses and Jurisdictions. Few if any of these have any sufficiency of endowment. Few are sustained as the interests of the Church require. The sons of Churchmen throng the great colleges; while, to take an example, our one New-England college scarcely has the opportunity, because of its small number of students, to vindicate its claims to public confidence. Double the number of students, and the efficiency of the college will be developed in proportion. It is needless to say that the best instruction and largest provision for a liberal education are required. For this end, the generous gifts of Churchmen are called for. There is much munificence on the part of our rich men, but it sometimes needs a wise direction. Without adequate endowment no school or college can hope for permanence, and a transient success (without fault or failure in management) may be followed by speedy decline. We need more faith in the Church as the Divinely gifted educator. We need to believe, in the pregnant words of the present Archbishop of Canterbury, that “there is no function, no region of life or thought, which it is not the Church’s duty to occupy.”

Furthermore, in the judgment of your Committee, the number of schools for both sexes, in which the best training can be had at the lowest cost,



should be greatly increased. Many of our Dioceses require an organized system of Church schools; but for these objects, funds and skilled teachers, men and women, willing to work for a bare living, are indispensable. The seal of the Church's approval is already set upon those associations of devout women, Sisters or Deaconesses, now engaged in this blessed work. Your Committee believe that some tie of union among those specially devoted to Christian education in the Church is to be desired, which, by meetings for mutual encouragement and conference, might give increased knowledge of ways and means, kindle a deeper enthusiasm in their work, and help to dispel narrow and sectional views, by enlarging them to realize that theirs is part and parcel of the great work of breaking down the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death, and building up instead thereof the walls of Jerusalem.

That these ends may be advanced, and the hearts of our fellow Churchmen moved to their due consideration, your Committee would respectfully submit and urge the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, or some other day, to be designated by the Bishops, be set apart by this Church as a day of special intercession for our schools and colleges, and that the Bishops be requested to set forth, and authorize for use, prayers specially adapted for this purpose.

L. C. CHAPIN, *for the Committee.*

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 12, of the Committee on Canons, relating to Church Wardens being communicants. (See p. 203.)

On the question of the adoption of the resolution appended to the Report, Mr. Fisher offered the following amendment, which was not adopted:—

*Resolved*, That Title III., Canon 5, be amended by adding to Section ii. thereof, the following as Sub-section [4.]:—

No person shall be eligible as a warden of any Parish, who is not a Communicant of this Church; nor should any one be qualified to act as a member of any Vestry until he shall have subscribed to, and filed with the Clerk of such Parish, a declaration in writing that he will in all things conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of this Church.

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Watson, of North Carolina, it was

*Resolved*, That, during the remainder of the session, the House meet at 9.30 A.M., instead of 9 A.M.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 14 of the Committee on Canons, relating to Ministers ordained in foreign countries. (See p. 226.)

On motion, the amendments proposed in the Report were adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit,

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Education, etc., relating to the establishment of School Boards. (See p. 235.)

On motion, the recommendation appended to the Report, that it is inexpedient for this Convention to act on the matter proposed, was adopted.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 52.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it appoints on its part, on the Joint Committee on a Version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French Language, etc., referred to in its Message No. 49, and in the Message of the House of Deputies No. 31, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Louisiana, and the Assistant Bishop of New York.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 53.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 38 of the House of Deputies, as to a Joint Committee to recommend the place at which shall be held the next General Convention; and appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, and the Missionary Bishop of Oregon.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 54.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section ii., [2.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect, by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Also, that Section iii., [1.], be amended by omitting all after the words "House of Bishops," in line 14 (the last on the page), and adding as follows: "Who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction; and, if a majority of the said Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials."

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 291.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 55.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies, for election as Missionary Bishop of North Dakota, the Rev. William D. Walker, Minister of Calvary Chapel, New York, in the Diocese of New York.

Attest:

H. C. POTTER, *Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 280.)

On motion, the House took a recess until 8 P.M.

The President having resumed the Chair, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, Report No. 24 (relating to Lay Readers) of that Committee was taken from the Calendar.

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

(For the Report, see p. 253.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

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EIGHTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 23, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Sansom and the Rev. Mr. Brewster. The Benediction was pronounced by the Missionary Bishop of Niobrara.

Mr. Loveridge, of Western Michigan, not previously present, appeared, and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

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REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received for Mr. W. P. Craighill, Diocese of West Virginia, in place of Mr. E. J. Lee who has leave, and that his name will be called on the roll.

Leave of absence for the rest of the session has been granted to the Rev. Alex. Marks, Diocese of Mississippi; Mr. L. B. Martin, of Indiana; and the Rev. Mr. Washburn, of Maine.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

Whereupon Mr. Craighill appeared, and took his seat.

The Rev. Mr. Littell, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented a list of Trustees of the Seminary (see Appendix IV. 3), with the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted : —

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, That the persons named in the accompanying list, having been nominated by the several Dioceses, be, and hereby are, elected Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to serve until October, 1884.

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, from the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members, presented a Report in addition to that previously presented.

The resolutions appended to the Report were adopted by a rising vote.

(For the Report, see Appendix VI.)

Mr. Mills offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business : —

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention will adjourn on Friday next, October 26, *sine die*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 284.)

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, the Report of the Joint Committee on Church Incorporations, etc.

(For the Report, see Appendix VIII.)

On motion, the several resolutions appended to the Report were adopted *seriatim*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. McVickar, it was

*Resolved*, That the whole question of necessary expenses attending the sessions of the General Convention be referred to the Committee on Expenses, with the request that they should take into consideration, and report as early as possible, some scheme whereby such expenses may be more evenly divided among the Dioceses.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 282.)

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 6 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, relating to the amendment of Article 8 of the Constitution.

(For the Report, see p. 233.)

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit,

Report No. 7 of the same Committee, relating to the amendment of Article 9 of the Constitution.

(For the Report, see p. 233.)

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 8 of the same Committee, relating to Courts of Appeal.

(For the Report, see p. 234.)

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 11 from the same Committee, relating to the amendment of Article 3 of the Constitution.

(For the Report, see p. 262.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 12 from the same Committee, relating to a change of phraseology in Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution.

(For the Report, see p. 263.)

On the question of adopting the amendment proposed by the Committee, a vote was taken by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy, there were 46 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 46 ; divided, 1.

Of the Laity, there were 38 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 38.

#### DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

##### CLERICAL VOTE.

Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, Wisconsin.

##### LAY VOTE.

Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Northern New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, West Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, Wisconsin.

DIOCESE DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.

Missouri.

And the amendment was accordingly adopted by a constitutional majority of both Orders.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 14, from the same Committee, relating to the amendment of Article 10 of the Constitution. (For the Report, see p. 267.) On motion, the resolution appended to the Report, was adopted.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, to wit, Report No. 20, of the Committee on Canons, relating to Church work amongst the coloured people. (For the Report, see p. 251.) The Rev. Dr. Porter moved to substitute for the resolutions offered by the Committee, the Canon of Missionary Organizations, etc., presented by the Special Committee on this subject on the eleventh day of the session. (See p. 217.) The motion was not adopted.

Pending the consideration of the resolutions appended to the Committee's Report (for further consideration, see p. 291), the Rev. Mr. Upjohn, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred the nomination, by the House of Bishops, of the Rev. William D. Walker, of the Diocese of New York, to be Missionary Bishop of North Dakota, have considered and inquired into the said nomination, and recommend the same for the favourable action of the House of Deputies.

J. J. SCOTT, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Upjohn, it was

*Resolved*, That the consideration of the nomination of the Rev. William D. Walker be made the Order of the Day for this House at half-past four o'clock this afternoon.

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 56.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it recedes from its former action, as communicated in its Message No. 9, and concurs with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 6, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the present Diocese of North Carolina.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.



PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 57.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has accepted the resignation of the Right Rev. Dr. Potter as Secretary of this House, and has appointed the Rev. William Tatlock, D.D., of Connecticut, as its Secretary.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 17th day of the Session,  
October 22, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 58.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House non-concurs in Message No. 33 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that it deems it wiser to leave the questions presented, without instructions, to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy, etc.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the House proceeded (in secret session) to the Order of the Day, to wit, the consideration of the nomination of the Rev. William D. Walker to be Missionary Bishop of North Dakota. (See Message No. 55 from the House of Bishops.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Leverett, it was

*Resolved*, That the House do now proceed to vote, by ballot, on the nomination of the Rev. William D. Walker, as Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Brainard and Mr. Johnson as Tellers of the Clerical vote, and the Rev. Mr. Tschiffely and Mr. Coffin as Tellers of the Lay vote. The Tellers reported that there were, of the Clergy, forty-eight Dioceses represented, and of the Laity thirty-nine Dioceses represented; all of which, respectively, had voted to confirm the nomination.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Anstice, the Secretary was directed to prepare the proper testimonials of the Missionary Bishop elect, to be signed by the members of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned.

## NINETEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY, October 24, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Langford and the Rev. Mr. Roberts. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Michigan.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

## REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom were referred a preamble and resolution of Mr. James H. Fisher, a Lay Deputy of the Diocese of Western New York, concerning "common rumor that certain Ministers of this Church have, during long periods of time past, introduced, during the celebration of the Holy Communion, ceremonies not authorized in the Book of Common Prayer, and symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines," beg leave to report : —

That they have given the same the most careful consideration, and have reached the unanimous conclusion that this subject is beyond the competency of this Committee; and, further, that it is amply provided for by Title I., Canon 22, entitled, "*Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer*," to which they earnestly call the attention of the Church. They offer the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That this Committee be discharged from a further consideration of the subject.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented a General Report (see Appendix I. 1), the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted.

Mr. Shattuck, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following resolutions : —

## REPORT No. 4.

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Deputies, that each Diocese should hereafter provide for the expenses of its Bishop and Clerical Deputies attending the General Convention.

*Resolved further*, That it is the sense of this House, that hereafter no personal expenses of any member of the General Convention should be borne by the parishes, or people of the city, in which its sessions may be held.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK, *for the Committee*.

The Rev. Dr. McVickar offered the following amendment : —

*Resolved*, That the expenses of the sessions of the General Convention be met by an assessment made upon the Dioceses proportionate to the number of communicants in each Diocese.

The amendment was not adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Perkins offered the following amendment:—

*Resolved*, That, in order to provide for the expenses of those attending as Deputies the General Convention of this Church, it be recommended that in every parish throughout this Church an annual collection be made, and deposited with the Treasurer of the House of Deputies, to be distributed, in proportion to their expenses, among the Bishops and Clerical members, as ordered by the Committee on Expenses.

The amendment was not adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Adams offered the following amendment:—

*Resolved*, That it be recommended that the Church of any city in which the General Convention meets, be requested to provide public or private hospitality for one Bishop and one Clergyman from each Diocese, and no more.

The amendment was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolutions offered by the Committee, they were severally adopted.

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 18th day of the Session,  
October 23, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 59.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it consents to the request of the House of Deputies, communicated in Message No. 44, for a Committee of Conference on the proposed amendment of Article 5 of the Constitution, and appoints on the part of this House, on such Committee, the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Long Island, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, and the Bishop of Springfield.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 60.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action proposed in Message No. 45 of the House of Deputies, electing the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to serve until the 1st of October, 1884.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. McVickar, from the Committee to wait on Lord Coleridge, and invite him to be present at the sessions of this House, reported that the Committee had performed the duty, and that Lord Coleridge acknowledged with thanks the courtesy of the House, but that his limited stay in the city prevented his acceptance of the invitation.

The Rev. Dr. Beatty, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

The Committee on Unfinished Business, to which was referred the resolution of Mr. Mills, of Northern New Jersey, "That the Convention adjourn on Friday, October 26, *sine die*," having considered the same, respectfully report:—

The business on the Calendar is so far advanced that the *important* matter therein can be disposed of in a very short time.

No. 5 has been practically determined by other action of the Convention. No. 13 involves a question depending upon the further action of the Convention in regard to the "Book Annexed." Nos. 20 and 21 must either be negatived for want of time to consider them, or allowed to go over, to be acted upon at a future Convention. The reports of the Committee on Canons, which are not disposed of at the morning hour, day by day, and are proper to be attended to at this stage of the session, probably contain matter of importance, but nothing which may not be disposed of in a reasonable time; provided the House will only allow the Calendar its due place, and dispose of the proposals coming from the Committee on Canons. On account of the report of the Joint Committee on Enrichment, etc., the state of the business is such that the points likely to lead to lengthened debate seem to have been passed, so far as the first ten resolutions are concerned, and it must seem to be within reason to hope that the ten resolutions named ought to be completed within the time specified. The House of Bishops, having gone farther than this House in the consideration of the report, will offer no impediment further than shall arise in the Committee of Conference to the completion of the work up to that point, so far as the primary action of this Convention is concerned.

The Committee is therefore of opinion that unless the House should, by vote, determine to discuss the whole Book before adjourning, there is no reason why the section named—i.e., the first ten resolutions—may not be completed within the time specified, provided such be the desire of the House. The Committee therefore recommends the passage of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Convention adjourn *sine die* on Friday evening, October 26, after the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

ARCHIBALD BEATTY, *Acting Chairman*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on Emigration be continued, with leave to sit during the recess and report to the next General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Leeds, from the Special Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, presented the following Report:—

The Committee appointed to nominate twenty-five Trustees for the General Theological Seminary, to serve under the new Constitution of its Board, beg leave to present the following names:—

The Rev. Dr. Heman Dyer, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Hall, the Rev. Dr. G. Williamson Smith, the Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, the Rev. Dr. Henry A. Coit, the Rev. Dr. Francis Harison, the Rev. Dr. James Rankine, the Rev. Dr. Clinton Locke, the Rev. Dr. James Runcie, the Rev. Dr. R. A. Abercrombie, the Rev. Dr. William S. Langford, the Rev. Dr. Thomas F. Davies, the Rev. Dr. J. S. B. Hodges, the Rev. Dr. Alfred A. Watson, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. John A. King,

Mr. George C. Shattuck, Mr. Orlando Meads, Mr. George C. McWhorter, Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. John C. Shoenberger, Mr. Robert A. Lamwerton.

On motion, the persons nominated in the foregoing report were elected.

Mr. Wilder, from the Committee of Conference on amending the Fifth Article of the Constitution, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

The Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses in relation to the amendment of Article Five (5) of the Constitution have considered the subject of the proposed amendments of the Article, and have agreed to recommend the adoption of the resolution as embodied in Message No. Fourteen (14) of the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies, with the following amendment: viz., In the last paragraph of the resolution, insert after the words, “of such Jurisdiction,” and next before the words, “until the same,” the words, “or, if formed from two or more such Jurisdictions, then by the senior Bishop in such Jurisdictions,” so that said paragraph shall read as follows:—

Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed out of a Missionary Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese, as shall have been previously selected by the Bishop of such Jurisdiction, or, if formed from two or more of such Jurisdictions, then by the senior Bishop in such Jurisdictions, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

J. WILLIAMS,

*Chairman on the part of the House of Bishops.*

E. T. WILDER,

*Chairman on the part of the House of Deputies.*

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 304.)

(The Rev. Dr. Schenck in the Chair.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons of this House be authorized to unite with the Committee on Canons of the House of Bishops, as a Joint Committee to confer upon any subjects referred to said Committee by either House, upon which there may be disagreement of opinion between the said Committees.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 26.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred, as unfinished business of the last session, the proposed Canon *Authorizing the Formation of a Federate Convention or Council*, etc., to be found on p. 165 of the Journal of 1880, and also the Memorial from the Diocese of Fond du Lac, and also the proposition of S. Corning Judd of Illinois, respectfully report:—

That, while they are not prepared to report in favour of extending the system of Federate Councils to Dioceses beyond the limits of a single State, it is entirely competent for any Diocese to unite in the management of Church Institutions, such as schools and colleges, by Committees, Trustees, or Managers appointed by the several Diocesan Conventions.

The proposal, that the powers of any existing Federate Council approved by the General Convention may be exercised by any other Federate Council without a fresh approval, seems to the Committee to be reasonable; and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following amendment to the Canon be adopted:—

Title III., Canon 8, is hereby amended to read as follows:—

§ i. It is hereby declared lawful for the Dioceses now existing or hereafter to exist, within the limits of any State or Commonwealth, to establish for themselves a Federate Convention or Council representing such Dioceses, which may deliberate and decide upon the common interests of the Church within the limits aforesaid; but before any determinate action of such Convention or Council shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval.

§ ii. Any such Federate Convention or Council may exercise any powers that shall have been previously approved by the General Convention for any other Federate Convention or Council.

§ iii. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed as forbidding any Federate Council from taking such action as they may deem necessary to secure such legislative enactments as the common interests of the Church in the State may require.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report.

#### REPORT No. 27.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 39 from the House of Bishops, communicating a proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], respectfully report that they recommend concurrence therein, with an amendment as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., Clause [2.], communicated to this House in Message No. 39, with the amendment that such clause do read as follows:—

[2.] If the Bishop, on consideration of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure and lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses such special qualifications as will make his ministry useful, and adding any other reason for dispensation which they may believe to exist.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The resolution appended to the foregoing Report was not adopted.

(The President in the Chair.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which, was, on motion. adopted:—



## REPORT No. 28.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 42 from the House of Bishops, communicating a resolution of that House to the effect that both Houses should unite in the election of a Treasurer, appointing a Committee to audit his accounts and making appropriations, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and examined into the question involved. It appears on examination, that, until 1838, the Secretary of the House of Deputies performed the duties of a Treasurer. In that year the Committee on Expenses recommended that "a Treasurer be appointed to this *Convention*, and that he be authorized to invest from time to time, for the benefit of this Convention, such surplus of funds as he may have in hand." Pursuant to this report, the same House of Deputies elected a Treasurer. At the next Convention (1841), the Committee on Expenses of the House of Deputies recommended the adoption of a Canon, "*Of the Treasurer of the Convention*," which Canon was thereupon adopted by the House of Deputies, and the House of Bishops concurred. This Canon, word for word, remains unchanged to this day, and is Title III., Canon 1, Section iv. It is as follows:—

"At every triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His account shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment be made by the Convention."

At the same Convention, after the adoption of this Canon, and with its provisions before their eyes, the House of Deputies "resolved to proceed to the election of Treasurer of the General Convention." The first Treasurer having declined re-election, another gentleman was unanimously chosen; and the House of Deputies expressed its thanks to the former Treasurer for his faithful services as Treasurer of the Convention. It appears that it was the continuous practice of the House of Deputies to elect the Treasurer, from 1838 to 1877, when (without apparently any order of the House of Deputies) the choice of the present Treasurer was notified to the House of Bishops in a Message, with the statement that he was elected "on the part of this House;" and the House of Bishops concurred. It does not appear that this inadvertence was repeated in 1880, when the same gentleman was elected by the House of Deputies only. The like action has taken place at the present session; and the Committee have no doubt that the Treasurer of the Convention has been duly qualified to discharge his duties for the next three years. As to the making of appropriations, and the examination of the accounts, the Committee understand that there has been a uniform practice, which there seems no sufficient cause to change.

It remains, however, to be considered, whether this contemporaneous, continuous, and uniform construction of the Canon be not contrary to its plain meaning. It speaks of the Convention; and it has been seen that the practice under it has been the same as though it had read "House of Deputies," instead of "Convention." But the same use of the word is found in Article 2 of the Constitution, "The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention;" and in Article 3, "The House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention," etc. The Committee conclude, from this constitutional use of the word "Convention," that it may have the same meaning in the Canon; and they therefore see no suffi-

cient reason for departing from that interpretation of it which has hitherto prevailed.

The action recommended is as follows:—

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Report be transmitted to the House of Bishops.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 29.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 38 from the House of Bishops, communicating proposed amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend concurrence therein with amendment as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., communicated to this House in their Message No. 38, with the amendment that the proposed Clauses [5.] and [6.] do read as follows:—

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, the Clerical members of the Standing Committee may make presentment: *Provided*, That the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters; and, if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his Jurisdiction (excluding the members of the Standing Committee, and the accused), the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

#### REPORT No. 30.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a Memorial from the deputation from the Diocese of Minnesota, on the subject of "Clergymen not in the active work of the Church," respectfully report for adoption the following:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

§ ii. If a Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of habitually neglecting the exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the Holy Eucharist according to the Offices of this Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offences enumerated in Section i., it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against, and convicted

according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :—

REPORT No. 31.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 43 from the House of Bishops, communicating a proposed new Section to be added to Title II., Canon 1, providing that it shall be the duty of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of any Diocese or Jurisdiction to present for trial a Clergyman who has been convicted in a criminal court, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and, being of opinion that such a regulation could not be made operative in Dioceses where the Clerical members of the Standing Committee are not charged with the duty of making presentments, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the proposed new Section to be added to Title II., Canon 1, communicated by them in their Message No. 43.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :—

REPORT No. 32.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 25 from the House of Bishops, proposing a concurrent resolution providing for the omission of the sections of Title II., Canon 9, relating to the trial of a Bishop, from the printed Digest of the Canons, respectfully report that they cannot recommend the removal of any portion of the Church's law from the volume which professes to contain it; and they recommend the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution (relating to the printing of certain sections of Title II., Canon 9) communicated in their Message No. 25.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar :—

REPORT No. 33.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposal to admit Delegates from Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions to seats in the House of Deputies, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, That the Standing Order of this House adopted October 24, 1871, and amended October 27, 1880, be further amended so as to read as follows:—

*Of Delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions.*

*Resolved*, That one Clerical and one Lay Delegate, to be chosen by any Convocation of all the Clergy and representatives of the Laity, convoked by the authority of the Bishop of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, shall have seats assigned to them in this House, with similar privileges to those of Deputies, except that they shall have no vote on any question or matter; and that this be a Standing Order of the House.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 304.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 34.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of Connecticut, and presented to this House by the Deputation from that Diocese, on the subject of providing a uniform system for the registration of Communicants, etc., respectfully report that they have considered the same, but are unable to suggest any practical means of accomplishing the end proposed. The Deputation presenting the subject do not present any measure for adoption by the Convention, nor indicate in any way what system would, in their judgment, be suited for universal use. If any such measure should be proposed, and referred to this Committee, they would be happy to give it careful attention; but they cannot undertake to prepare a Canon on this subject under the pressure of the other matters already referred to them, and they ask to be discharged from the consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 35.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred, on motion of a Lay Deputy from Western New York, the subject of the Standard Bible referred to in Title I., Canon 18, respectfully report that the standard edition of the Bible is that agreed upon by the General Convention in 1823, being that published by Eyre and Strahan in 1812; but that copies of such standard edition cannot now be obtained, unless with considerable difficulty, and therefore it does not practically answer its purpose. The Bibles published by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and by the Queen's Printers, are all very carefully edited and printed, especially the folio and quarto editions; and they are all substantially the same as the edition above named, differing from one another only in comparatively very unimportant particulars. But the Committee think it would be invidious for this Convention to select any one of these editions, while all are so nearly equal in merit; and they believe that no considerable practical inconvenience results from the present condi-

tion of the matter. They therefore recommend no action to the Convention, and ask to be discharged from the consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar, to be taken up in connection with Report No. 24 of the same Committee:—

REPORT No. 36.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 54 from the House of Bishops, communicating a proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section ii., Clause [2.], and Section iii., Clause [1.], respectfully report in favour of concurrence therein. But as amendments to the same Section iii. are already pending before the Convention, and have been reported upon by this Committee; as to that Section, the Committee recommend concurrence with an amendment incorporating the amendment already recommended in their Report No. 25.

The action proposed is as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Sections ii., Clause [2.], and iii., Clause [1.], communicated by them in their Message No. 54, with the amendment that the said Section iii., Clause [1.], do read as follows:—

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignation has been accepted; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 300.)

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 20 of the Committee on Canons, relating to Church work amongst the coloured people. (See p. 251.)

On motion, the resolutions appended to the Report were severally adopted.

On motion of Mr. Judd, the House reconsidered its action on the resolution appended to Report No. 7 of the Committee on Amend-



ments to the Constitution, and the Report was placed on the Calendar.

(For the further consideration of the Report, see p. 305.)

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the chair, the Rev. Dr. Dix, from a Special Joint Committee on the due observance of the centennial period of the American Church, appointed at the last session of the General Convention, presented the following Report:—

The Joint Committee appointed at the last session of the General Convention, to recommend a plan for the due observance of the centennial period of the American Church, respectfully report:—

During the interval between this meeting of the Church in General Convention and the next, the members of our Church will be called upon to commemorate with fitting and solemn observance the centennials of the consecration of Samuel Seabury by the Bishops of the Church in Scotland, in 1784; and the incipient measures for organization, which resulted in the formation, at a later date, when the Episcopate had been secured in the English line, in the union of the Churches in the various States in a General Convention, and the adoption of a common Ecclesiastical constitution. Patiently to trace, step by step, the progress of our fathers towards organic unity, is more than a filial duty. It will serve to acquaint us with the principles underlying our Ecclesiastical government, and will prove to us that our fathers builded better than they knew.

In the observance of these days, marking the centennials of the early Diocesan or more General Conventions, the Dioceses themselves will naturally take a deep interest, and for their proper celebration provide. It is to be hoped, that, in common with a general observance throughout the American Church of the centennial of the day (November 14, 1784) on which the Episcopate so long sought for, so long refused, was given to Seabury by the Bishops of the Scottish Church, there might be in Aberdeen a solemn service at which some one of Seabury's successors in the American Episcopate might tell the Bishops and members of the Church in Scotland what God has wrought through this act of faith on the part of the Scottish Churchmen a century since. Surely a day so fraught with lasting blessings to us, and not to us alone, may worthily receive commemoration on both sides of the Atlantic.

In view of the past, and mindful of the promise of the present, your Committee call upon the Church throughout the land to note, as days of solemn observance, these noted days in our Ecclesiastical annals; and to show our gratitude to Him who has blessed our past, by liberal gifts to all the great charities of our communion. Thus we may turn our Centennial observance to a practical account. We can show our thankfulness for God's blessings by giving to Him of His own.

The Committee respectfully request that they may be continued with a view to making due provision for the remaining centennial observances which will occur during the three years following the next meeting of the General Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. WILLIAMS,

*Chairman on the part of the House of Bishops.*

MORGAN DIX,

*Chairman on the part of the House of Deputies.*

On motion, the Committee was continued.



The Rev. Dr. McVickar, from the Joint Committee on the place for the next session of the General Convention, presented the following Report:—

The Committee appointed to consider and recommend a place for the meeting of the next General Convention have unanimously agreed to recommend the city of Chicago, and offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention hold its session in the city of Chicago.

On motion, the House approved of the recommendation contained in the foregoing Report.

The Rev. Mr. Upjohn, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops have examined the testimonials of the Rev. William D. Walker, Missionary Bishop elect of North Dakota, and have found the same to be in due form, as prescribed by Canon, and to be signed by a canonical majority of the Dioceses as represented in the House of Deputies in General Convention.

S. UPJOHN, *for the Committee.*

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Upjohn, it was

*Resolved*, That the testimonials of the Missionary Bishop elect be sent to the House of Bishops for their action.

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 61.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 48 of the House of Deputies, with the amendment that the Committee therein referred to be called the Joint Committee on the Spiritual Care of Immigrants, instead of "the Joint Committee on Emigration."

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 62.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the amendments to Title I., Canon 2., proposed in Message No. 35 of the House of Deputies, in reference to Lay Readers.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 63.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II. Canon 6, Section ii., be amended so as to read as follows, viz.:—

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to suspend said Minister from the Ministry for a period not less than three years, and thereafter until he shall repent, and recant his errors. And the Bishop shall pronounce, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the sentence of suspension, and record the same as so pronounced: *provided*, nevertheless, That, if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings; and *provided*, That in terminating any sentence of suspension pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon, who has abandoned the Ministry under the provisions of this Canon, the Bishop shall:—

(1) Act with the advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

(2) That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own, and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission, and their consent thereto.

(3) That, before remitting such sentence, he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry, to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

(4) That, in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application, by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.

(5) This Canon shall not apply to cases occurring before it takes effect, according to Title IV., Canon 4.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 324.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 64.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 2, Section i., the last paragraph, be amended by the substitution of the word “deposed” in place of the word “degraded.”

That in the last sentence of Section ii., of the same Canon, the same change be made.

That Title II., Canon 9, Section vi., [3.], be amended by substituting, in lines six and thirteen, the word “deposition” for the word “degradation.”

That in Title II., Canon 9, Section vi., [10.], the same change be made.

That in Title II., Canon 9, Section vii., [1.], the same change be made.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 10, Section ii., [2.], be repealed.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 314.)

On motion, the House took a recess until 8 P.M.

The President having resumed the Chair, the House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 2 of the Committee on Education, etc., relating to a system of Bible instruction.

(For the Report, see p. 235.)

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 3 of the same Committee, relating to special provision in schools, etc., for instruction in philosophy, etc.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 235.)

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 19 of the Committee on Canons, relating to admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in communion with this Church.

(For the Report, see p. 250.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 21 of the same Committee, relating to the retirement of a Bishop by reason of age, etc.

(For the Report, see p. 252.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 22 of the same Committee, relating to candidateship for Orders.

(For the Report, see p. 252.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 6 of the Committee on the State of the Church, relating to the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

(For the Report, see p. 266.)

On motion of Mr. Meigs, the first resolution appended to the Report was amended to read as follows : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the amount now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund be paid to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. The said Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall invest the funds thus paid over to it as a permanent fund for the support of the Missionary Episcopate; and it

shall be Trustee for this purpose, as well as for the purpose of receiving any contributions heretofore or hereafter made by bequest or otherwise to this Fund.

The resolution, thus amended, was, on motion, adopted. The second resolution appended to the Report was, on motion, adopted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 65.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to prepare a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Norwegian language.

And this House has appointed as members of such Committee (if the House of Deputies shall concur in its appointment), the Bishops of Albany, Wisconsin, and Iowa.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 66.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the first resolution, second resolution, third resolution, fifth resolution, and sixth resolution, contained in Message No. 43 of the House of Deputies, in reference to the protection of Diocesan property, etc.; and that it also concurs in the fourth resolution, referring certain matters to its Committee on Canons.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 67.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur in Message No. 41 of the House of Deputies, for the reason that the legislation contemplated has already been taken in another form by Message No. 62 of this House, which concurs in Message No. 35 of the House of Deputies, in reference to Lay Readers.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 68.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the action communicated in Message No. 40 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that certain important provisions of the existing Canon on that subject, which makes Episcopal license of value to the Church, are removed.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 10, be amended so as to read as follows, to wit :—

## CANON 10.

*Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries, by Bishops in Communion with this Church.*

§ i. No Clergyman but those canonically resident in some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church shall be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, unless he shall have been licensed to officiate by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction. The Ecclesiastical Authority may not grant such license without a letter commendatory from the Bishop to whose Jurisdiction the Clergyman belongs, or evidence that shall be deemed satisfactory as to his being in Holy Orders, and also as to his pious and moral character, and his theological acquirements. *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to forbid the officiating, during a period not to exceed eight days, by any Minister belonging to a Church in communion with this Church, who is personally known as such to the Minister, Church Warden, or other officer of the Church where he so officiates, and who, having applied for a license before or immediately upon his arrival within the limits of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, has been unable, by reason of the absence of the Bishop, or the inability of the Ecclesiastical Authority to act during the interim, to obtain the required license.

§ ii. Before any such Clergyman shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority a letter of dismission under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section vii., of Canon 14, of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismission was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church: *Provided*, That no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same; *provided*, also, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission. And, if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

On motion, the House non-concurred in the foregoing Message, and asked for a Committee of Conference.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p.309.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 69.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee to

report a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the German Language be continued.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 70.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it asks for a Committee of Conference on Message No. 53 of the House of Deputies, which does not concur with the Message of this House No. 25, relating to printing certain sections of Title II., Canon 9;

And appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in the foregoing Message was granted.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 71.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the resolutions contained in Message No. 55 of the House of Deputies, in reference to Church work among coloured people.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 19th day of the Session,  
October 24, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 72.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it asks a Committee of Conference on Message No. 54 of the House of Deputies, in reference to the proposed new section to be added to Title II., Canon I, communicated in the Message of this House No. 43; and appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of North Carolina, and the Bishop of Iowa.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in the foregoing Message was granted; and the Committee on Canons was appointed as members of such Committee on the part of this House. (For the Report of the Committee, see p. 310.)

The President appointed, as members of the Committee of Conference on Message No. 68 of the House of Bishops, —

The Rev. Dr. Harison, the Rev. Dr. Langford, the Rev. Mr. Spalding, Mr. Wilmer, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Devereux.

As members of the Committee called for in Message No. 70, —



The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, the Rev. Dr. Richards, the Rev. Dr. Beach, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Minor of Connecticut, and Mr. Whittle.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## TWENTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 25, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Beatty and the Rev. Mr. Moffett. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Hills, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was adopted:—

### REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the resolution of inquiry of the Rev. B. J. Douglass of Delaware, as to the comparative growth of the Church during the past half-century, beg leave to report:—

That they herewith submit an elaborate paper, showing the progress of the Church during that period with regard to Dioceses, Parishes, Clergy, Baptisms, Communicants, and offerings, wherein is set forth, that, during the fifty years from 1832 to 1883, the growth of the Church has been such as to more than double the number of Dioceses; to increase the number of Parishes in a large ratio, less distinctly defined; to increase the number of Clergy fivefold, and the number of Communicants more than tenfold; also the number of Baptisms in nearly the same proportion. The number of Missionary Jurisdictions shows a gain of one hundred per cent since 1871; the number of Missions, the like gain; and the offerings, a gain of one hundred per cent in the short period from 1868 to 1880. The increase in the number of Communicants is very striking, but the increase in offerings is still more remarkable.

The whole Report, interesting and gratifying as it is, the Committee do not deem it expedient to read *in extenso* at this late period in our sessions, with an overcrowded Calendar; and, therefore, offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Report concerning the growth of the Church in America, during the past half-century, be printed in the Journal of this Convention, as an Appendix to the tabulated reports of the last three years.

GEO. MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

(For the Report referred to, see Appendix I. 3.)

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 2 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, relating to the amendment of Article 8 of the Constitution. (See p. 180.)

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 25 of the Committee on Canons, relating to the amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., etc. (See p. 267.)

The three resolutions appended to the Report were, on motion, severally adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 36 of the same Committee, relating to the amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section ii., etc. (See p. 291.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 12 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, relating to the amendment of Article 4. (See p. 273.)

The question recurring on the resolution appended to the Report, the House proceeded to vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy, there were 48 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 35 ; nays, 7 ; divided, 6.

Of the Laity, there were 40 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 29 ; nays, 8 ; divided, 3.

## DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

### CLERICAL VOTE.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Tupper, and Stout. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Birdsall, Chetwood, Spalding, and the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Brainard. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Mr. Leverett, and the Rev. Dr. Knight. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Orrick. — *Nay*.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Drs. Beardsley, and Giesy. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Harwood. — *Nay*.

EASTON. — The Rev. Drs. Dashiell, Barton, Barber, and Wilson. — *Aye*.

FLORIDA. — The Rev. Mr. Thackara. — *Aye*.

GEORGIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Boone, Pond, and Strong. — *Aye*.

INDIANA. — The Rev. Mr. Faudé. — *Aye*.

IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Messrs. Stilson and Trimble. — *Aye*.

KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Mr. Bennett. — *Aye*.

KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Messrs. Minnigerode, and Tschiffely. — *Aye*.

LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hall, Schenck, Drowne, and Snively. — *Aye*.

LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Mr. Girault, and the Rev. Dr. Dalzell. — *Aye*.  
The Rev. Mr. Duncan. — *Nay*.

MAINE. — The Rev. Messrs. Leffingwell and Upjohn, and the Rev. Dr. Fiske. — *Aye*.

MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hutton, Elliott, Leeds, and Lewin. — *Aye*.

MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Mr. Converse, and the Rev. Dr. Huntington. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Brooks. — *Nay*.

MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Brewster, and the Rev. Dr. Hall. — *Aye*.

MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Hawley, and the Rev. Mr. Gilbert. — *Aye*.

MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Mr. Logan. — *Aye*.

NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Messrs. Millsbaugh, and Shaw. — *Aye*.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Messrs. Smith, and LeRoy. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Renouf. — *Nay*.

NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Garrison, Hills, and Langford. — *Aye*.

NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Dix, Beach, Hoffman, and Shipman. — *Aye*.

NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson and Huske, and the Rev. Mr. Hughes. — *Aye*.

OHIO. — The Rev. Dr. Bodine, and the Rev. Mr. Osborne. — *Aye*.

QUINCY. — The Rev. Messrs. Shrimpton, Haskins, and Wilkinson. — *Aye*.

RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Richards and Henshaw, and the Rev. Mr. Magill. — *Aye*.

SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Messrs. McCollough and Johnson, and the Rev. Dr. Porter. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Capers. — *Nay*.

SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Benedict, and Bates, and the Rev. Messrs. Webster, and Stanger. — *Aye*.

SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Messrs. Taylor and Davenport. — *Aye*.

TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rucker, Bird, and Smith. — *Aye*.

WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Cobbs, Leavell, and Mason. — *Aye*.

WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Corbett, and the Rev. Messrs. Cook, and Bancroft. — *Aye*.

WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Anstice, Rankine, and Doty. — *Aye*.

#### LAY VOTE.

ARKANSAS. — Mr. McCracken. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — Mr. Stephens. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. McWhorter, Gardner, and Moss. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Mr. Coppée. — *Aye*.

CONNECTICUT. — Messrs. Stark, and Minor. — *Aye*.

DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis, Bates, and Burr. — *Aye*.

EASTON. — Messrs. Adkins, and Mackall. — *Aye*. Mr. Walker. — *Nay*.

GEORGIA. — Mr. Whittle. — *Aye*.

INDIANA. — Mr. Snyder. — *Aye*.

IOWA. — Mr. Mallory. — *Aye*.

KENTUCKY. — Mr. Cornwall. — *Aye*.

LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. Pierrepont, King, and Nicoll. — *Aye*.

MAINE. — Mr. Bridge. — *Aye*.

MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, Abert, Stewart, and Wilmer. — *Aye*.

MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Shattuck, and Davis. — *Aye*. Mr. Winthrop. — *Nay*.

MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Baldwin, and Minor. — *Aye*.

MINNESOTA. — Mr. Wilder. — *Aye*.

MISSOURI. — Mr. Lycett. — *Aye*.

NEW JERSEY. — Mr. Conover. — *Aye*.

NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fish, and Nash. — *Aye*.

NORTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. De Rosset, and Henderson. — *Aye*.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Meigs, Mills, and Hicks. — *Aye*.  
 OHIO. — Mr. Devereux. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Harrison, and Merrick. — *Aye*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — Messrs. Stiness, and Dorrance. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Messrs. Andrews, and Stettinius. — *Aye*.  
 TEXAS. — Mr. Richardson. — *Aye*.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — Mr. Craighill. — *Aye*.  
 WISCONSIN. — Mr. Reigart. — *Aye*.

## DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

### CLERICAL VOTE.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Mr. Beard. — *Nay*.  
 ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Payne, and Harison. — *Nay*. The Rev. Dr. Battershall. — *Aye*.  
 DELAWARE. — The Rev. Messrs. Douglass, and Gordon. — *Nay*. The Rev. Mr. Littell. — *Aye*.  
 ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Dr. Locke, and the Rev. Mr. Sweet. — *Nay*.  
 TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Gray, and the Rev. Mr. Sneed. — *Nay*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Fitts. — *Aye*.  
 VERMONT. — The Rev. Mr. Collins. — *Nay*.  
 VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Hanckel, and Peterkin. — *Nay*.

### LAY VOTE.

ALABAMA. — Messrs. Buell, and Hurd. — *Nay*.  
 ALBANY. — Mr. Forsyth. — *Nay*.  
 ILLINOIS. — Messrs. Judd, and Tilden. — *Nay*.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Balcom. — *Nay*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. Hay, Shoenberger, Church, and Smith. — *Nay*.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — Mr. Smith. — *Nay*.  
 VIRGINIA. — Mr. Sheffey. — *Nay*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Chapin, and Loveridge. — *Nay*. Mr. Robinson. — *Aye*.

## DIOCESSES DIVIDED.

### CLERICAL VOTE.

FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Prescott, and Wright. — *Aye*. The Rev. Messrs. Dafter, and Vernor. — *Nay*.  
 MISSOURI. — The Rev. Dr. Runcie. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Robert. — *Nay*.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, and the Rev. Mr. Stansbury. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Farrington, and the Rev. Mr. Moffett. — *Nay*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Davies, and McVickar. — *Aye*. The Rev. Drs. Hare, and Goodwin. — *Nay*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Dr. Purdon, and the Rev. Mr. Carstensen. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Vincent, and the Rev. Mr. Meech. — *Nay*.  
 WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Dr. Ashley. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck. — *Nay*.

### LAY VOTE.

QUINCY. — Mr. Wilkinson. — *Aye*. Mr. Newcomb. — *Nay*.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — Mr. Quinlan. — *Aye*. Mr. Candee. — *Nay*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Mr. Fisher. — *Aye*. Mr. Macomb. — *Nay*.

The amendment was accordingly adopted by a constitutional majority of Dioceses and Orders.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, which was placed on the Calendar:—

REPORT No. 37.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred an amendment to Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., repealing the fourth condition, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following amendment, proposing to reduce the time for which a Minister who has abandoned the Communion of this Church is required to remain in Lay communion before being restored to the Ministry, from three years to one.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

§ ii. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:—

1. That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

2. That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own, and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission and their consent thereto.

3. That, before remitting such sentence, he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry, to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

4. That in case such person was deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or, having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its Communion, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in Lay-communion with this Church for one year next preceding his application for such remission; and,

5. That, in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

(For the consideration of the Report, see p. 307.)

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

REPORT No. 38.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 15 from the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 16, "*Of a List of Ministers of this Church*," respectfully report, that, understanding that the object proposed is to be accomplished without expense to the Convention, they recommend that the House concur with the House of Bishops as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon 16, proposed by them in their Message No. 15.  
By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

REPORT No. 39.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a Memorial from the Diocese of North Carolina, on the subject of the self-supporting Diaconate, respectfully report the following resolution for adoption:—

*Resolved*, That the subject presented by the Memorial from the Diocese of North Carolina be referred to the Special Committee on the Canons relating to ordination.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House, of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer in the Norwegian language, the Rev. Mr. Carstensen of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Mr. Stilson of Iowa, and Mr. Henry M. Braem of New York.

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

REPORT No. 40.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 41 from the House of Bishops, proposing a Joint Commission upon the Law of Discipline, etc., respectfully report adversely thereto, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions communicated to this House in their Message No. 41.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, to wit, The Report of the Committee of Conference on the proposed amendment of Article 5 of the Constitution (see p. 285).

On motion, the further consideration of the subject was postponed until the next General Convention.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 33 of the Committee on Canons, relating to the admission of delegates from Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions. (See



p. 289.) On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 7 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, relating to Courts of Appeal. On motion, the consideration of the subject was indefinitely postponed.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 28 of the Committee on Canons, relating to Message No. 42 from the House of Bishops. (See p. 287.) On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The following Messages were received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 73.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it insists on its action, and asks a Committee of Conference in reference to the proposed amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., communicated in its Message No. 20, and referred to in Message No. 64 of the House of Deputies, and appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishop of Kansas, the Bishop of Nebraska, and the Bishop of New Jersey.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in the foregoing Message was granted ; and the President appointed as members of the same, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Dix, the Rev. Dr. Drowne, the Rev. Dr. Huske, Mr. Hay, and Mr. Bridge.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 313.)

The following Message was received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 74.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen ; and it appoints, on its part, on such Committee, the Bishop of Maine, the Missionary Bishop of Utah, and the Bishop of New Jersey.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message ; and the President appointed as members of the Committee, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Shipman, the Rev. Mr. Tschiffely, Mr. Pierrepont, and Mr. Cornwall. (For Report, see p. 313.)

The following Message was received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 76.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates for election by the House of Deputies, as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, the Rev. George Worthington, D.D., of the Diocese of Michigan.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was made the Order of the Day for this afternoon at half-past four o'clock.

(For the action of the House, see p. 307.)

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 77.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it consents to a Committee of Conference, as asked for in Message No. 62 of the House of Deputies, in reference to proposed amendments of Canon relating to Ministers ordained in foreign countries by Bishops in communion with this Church, etc.; and appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishops of North Carolina and Fond du Lac.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 78.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur in Message No. 58 of the House of Deputies, designating Chicago as the place for the next General Convention, and asks for a Committee of Conference. It names on its part, on such Committee, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Georgia, and the Bishop of Springfield.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House acceded to the request for the Committee of Conference; and the President appointed as members of the same, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Battershall, the Rev. Dr. Sansom, the Rev. Dr. McVickar, Mr. Fish, Mr. Judd, and Mr. King. (For the Report of the Committee, see p. 311.)

The following Message was received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 80.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House is not prepared to concur with the House of Deputies in the resolution contained in Message No. 47, respecting adjournment of the Convention without day, on Friday, 26th, and asks a Committee of Conference; appointing as Committee, on the part of the House of Bishops, the Bishops of Florida, Arkansas, and Quincy.

Attest:

GEO. FRANCIS NELSON, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House acceded to the request for a Committee of Conference; and the President appointed as members of the same, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Lewin, the Rev. Dr. Davies, the Rev. Dr. Farrington, Mr. Nash, Mr. Wilder, and Mr. Whittle. (For the Report of the Committee, see p. 309.)

The House proceeded, in secret session, to the Order of the Day, to wit, the consideration of Message No. 76 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. George Worthington, S.T.D., as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Locke, it was

*Resolved*, That the House do now proceed to vote by ballot on the nomination of the Rev. George Worthington, S.T.D., as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Farrington, and Mr. Abert, as tellers of the Clerical vote; and the Rev. Mr. Brewster, and Mr. Fisher, as tellers of the Lay vote. The tellers reported that there were of the Clergy 48 Dioceses represented, and of the Laity 34 Dioceses represented, all of which, respectively, had voted to confirm the nomination.

The President announced the election of the Rev. George Worthington, S.T.D., as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Anstice, the Secretary was directed to prepare the proper testimonials of the Missionary Bishop elect, to be signed by the members of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned until eight o'clock.

The President having resumed the Chair, the House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, to wit, Report No. 37 from the Committee on Canons, proposing an amendment to Title II., Canon 11, Section ii.

(For the Report, see p. 303.)

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stilson, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the preparation and publication of a version of the Book of Common Prayer, or portions thereof, in the Swedish tongue, be referred to the Joint Committee already appointed to report a version of the Prayer Book in the Norwegian tongue.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report; and the several amendments contained therein were, on motion, severally adopted:—

## REPORT No. 41.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred certain amendments to the Canons approved by the Board of Missions, and other propositions relating to the subject of Missionary organizations, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following amendments, the House of Bishops concurring: Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., Clause [7.], is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

[1.] Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint a Standing Committee, consisting of not less than two nor more than five Presbyters, resident within his Jurisdiction, and, if he shall find it practicable and advisable, of an equal number of Lay communicants; which Standing Committee shall have, so far as the circumstances of the Jurisdiction permit, the powers and duties provided for by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for the government of such Jurisdiction. In case of the absence of the Bishop from his Jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, said Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction.

Title III., Canon 9, Articles III., IV., and VIII., are hereby amended so as to read as follows:—

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, and the members, for the time being, of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to the said House of Deputies, and the members of the Board of Managers as hereinafter described. The Board of Missions, thus constituted, shall convene on the third day of the session of the General Convention, and shall sit, from time to time, as the business of the Board shall demand.

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Board of Managers, comprising all the Bishops, the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed by the Board of Missions or by the Board of Managers, and fifteen Presbyters and fifteen Laymen, to be appointed by the Board of Missions at every triennial meeting of the General Convention, who shall have the management of the General Missions of this Church, and shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. Eight Clerical members and eight Lay members shall constitute a quorum. But, whenever demanded by three members, a majority of the Bishops present, and a majority of the Clerical members present, and a majority of the Lay members present shall be necessary to any act of the Board. This Board of Managers shall, when the Board of Missions is not in session, exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Board of Managers shall report to the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention. But nothing herein contained shall affect the rights of any surviving life-members of the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of Auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public missionary meetings, to be held at the same time and place as the General Convention, and at such other times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send one Clerical and one Lay Delegate.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

## REPORT No. 14.

The Committee on Elections report that the proper Testimonials have been received for the Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Diocese of Easton, in place of Rev. John O. Barton, D.D., who has leave.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Lewin, from the Committee of Conference on the time of adjournment, reported that the Committee recommended Friday, October 26, at nine P.M. On motion, the recommendation was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Harison, from the Committee of Conference on the amendment of Title I., Canon 10, presented the following Report, the recommendation contained in which was, on motion, adopted:—

The Committee of Conference appointed to consider the disagreeing votes of the two Houses in regard to the amendment of Title I., Canon 10, "*Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church,*" respectfully report that they have conferred together, and agreed to recommend to the two Houses the following action:—

That the House of Bishops recede from the amendment proposed by them to the action proposed by the House of Deputies, and concur in such action with the following amendments:—

1. Strike out the words "of his good character," in Section i., and insert "in good standing."

2. Insert before the words "been unable," in Section i., the words "for that reason."

3. Insert, at the end of Section i., the words, "And, in case of any Clergyman officiating under this proviso, the Minister or other officer of the Church where he so officiates shall immediately in form the Ecclesiastical Authority."

And that the House of Deputies concur in such amendments.

FRANCIS HARISON, *Chairman of the Committee on the part of the House of Deputies.*

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
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## MESSAGE No. 81.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

No Diocesan or Assistant Bishop, whose resignation of his Episcopal Jurisdiction, etc.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

(For Report of Committee, see p. 314.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 82.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the amendments to Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., Clauses [5.] and [6.], proposed in Message No. 52 from the House of Deputies.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 83.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the amendment of Title III., Canon 8, communicated in Message No. 49 from the House of Deputies.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 84.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops does concur in the amendment of Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., communicated to this House in Message No. 51 from the House of Deputies, with the substitution of the word “deposed” for the word “degraded” in the last sentence of the said Section.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

(Referred to the Committee on Canons; for their Report, see p. 314.)

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee of Conference on amending Title II., Canon 1, presented a Report, with the following appended resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That an additional Section, to be numbered Section v., be added to Title II., Canon 1, to read as follows:—

§ v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted, in any Court of Record, of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any Court of Record in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS,

*Chairman of Committee on part of House of Bishops.*

ALFRED A. WATSON,

*Chairman of Committee on part of House of Deputies.*

The Rev. Mr. Upjohn, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops have examined the testimonials of the Rev. George Worthington, D.D., Missionary Bishop elect of Shanghai, have found the same to be in due form as prescribed by Canon, and to be signed by a constitutional majority of the House of Deputies.

SAMUEL UPJOHN, *Secretary of Committee*.



On motion of the Rev. Mr. Upjohn, it was

*Resolved*, That the testimonials of the Missionary Bishop elect be sent by the Secretary to the House of Bishops for their action.

The Rev. Dr. Battershall, from the Committee of Conference on designating the place for the next General Convention, presented the following Report:—

The Committee of Conference appointed on the part of this House to confer with a corresponding Committee on the part of the House of Bishops on designating the place for the next General Convention, respectfully report that the Committee have met, and unanimously agreed to re-affirm the resolution of the Joint Committee, that the meeting of the General Convention for the year 1886 be held in the city of Chicago.

WALTON W BATTERSHALL, *Chairman*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## TWENTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 26, 1883.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Brainard and the Rev. Mr. Haskins. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Quincy.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 85.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions, which it communicates for the information of that House, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops expresses its deep fraternal sympathy with the Right Rev. Dr. Schereschewsky in his long-continued illness, and in the suffering which it has caused him; and with great regret assents to his request, and accepts his resignation of his Jurisdiction.

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops expresses its deep sympathy with the Right Rev. Dr. Penick, in the failure of his health in the process of his labors in Africa,—having been brought nigh to death, and being incapacitated for continuing to discharge the duties of his office in that climate; and with great regret assents to his request, and accepts his resignation of his Jurisdiction, to take effect at the close of the present session of the House.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 86.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 80 from the House of Deputies, adding Section v. to Title II., Canon 1, relating to a Clergyman convicted in civil court.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 87.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 79 of the House of Deputies, referring the preparation and publication of a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Swedish tongue to the Joint Committee already appointed to report a version of the Prayer Book in the Norwegian tongue.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 88.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has refused to adopt the Report of the Committee of Conference proposing certain amendments to Title I., Canon 10, referred to in Message No. 78 of the House of Deputies, on the ground of the lack of certain restrictive provisions therein deemed necessary by this House.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 90.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Deputation consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to attend the next Provincial Synod of Canada, to bear the greetings of this Church, and to promote the joint interests of the two Churches, the Presiding Bishop being allowed to fill all vacancies in the Deputation occurring after its appointment; and it appoints on its part, on such Deputation, the Bishop of North Carolina and the Bishop of Michigan.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The President appointed, as members on the part of this House, of the Deputation called for in the foregoing Message, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the Rev. Mr. Converse, Mr. Abert, and Mr. Nelson.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 91.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the observance of the Centennial be continued.

Attest: WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

Mr. Shattuck offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were severally adopted : —

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be most heartily tendered to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, for their great liberality in giving us the use of their Church and adjoining rooms, and for their thoughtful consideration in making all necessary arrangements.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate a copy of this vote to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Holy Trinity.

*Resolved*, That the cordial thanks of this House are given to the Rector and Vestry of Christ Church, for the use of the Church at the Opening Service.

*Resolved*, That this House desires to put on record its appreciation of the great kindness and hospitality of the Churchmen and people of Philadelphia, and to thank them for all they have done to facilitate the work of the members of this House, and to make their sojourn so enjoyable.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of this vote to the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements.

Thè Rev. Dr. Shipman, from a Special Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., presented the following Report : —

On behalf of the Joint Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, I beg leave to report that the Committee have unanimously agreed to nominate, as Trustees of said Fund, the Bishops of Delaware and Easton, the Rev Dr. Dix of New York, the Rev. Dr. W. A. Snively of Long Island; and Mr. Stephen P. Nash, Mr. William Alexander Smith, and Mr. Lloyd W. Wells, of New York.

J. S. SHIPMAN, *Chairman on part of this House.*

On motion, the nominations presented in the foregoing Report were confirmed.

The Rev. Dr. Dix, from the Committee of Conference on the subjects of "Bishops resigning on account of advanced age," etc., presented the following Report : —

The Committee of Conference, on the question of "Bishops resigning on account of advanced age," report this recommendation, to wit: To add to Sub-section iv., Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., the following words: "Any Bishop, whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Farrington, the whole subject was postponed until the next General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

## REPORT No. 42.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 84 from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence in the amendment of Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., proposed by this House in Message No. 51, with an amendment to substitute the word "*deposed*" for the word "*degraded*," respectfully report in favour of concurring in the amendment as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment proposed by them, in their Message No. 84, to the amendment of Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., communicated to them in House of Deputies' Message No. 51.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

## REPORT No. 43.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 64 from the House of Bishops, proposing amendments to several Canons, so as to omit the term "*degrade*" from the Canons, respectfully report, that, for lack of time to perfect the necessary amendments re-enacting, with the suggested verbal corrections, the various Canons referred to, they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in the adoption of the amendments to the Canons, communicated by the House of Bishops in their Message No. 64.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject of the use of the word "*degrade*" in the Canons be postponed to the next General Convention.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:—

## REPORT No. 44.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 81 from the House of Bishops, communicating a proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., Clause [4.], respectfully report in favour of concurring therein, with an amendment as follows:—

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., Clause [4.], with the amendment that such Clause do read as follows:—

[4.] No Diocesan or Assistant Bishop, whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction within the limits of his Diocese.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

REPORT No. 45.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred, on the Report of the Committee on the State of the Church, a proposed proviso to be added to Title I., Canon 14, Section iii., respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention earnestly recommend the devotion, by the Ministers of this Church, of a part of the alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion to the support of disabled Clergymen, and the widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted : —

REPORT No. 46.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred as unfinished business the Canon on Godly Discipline, which was reported by a Joint Committee at the last session, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the subject of the Godly Discipline of the Laity, together with the proposed Canons on that subject contained in the Journal of the House of Deputies of 1880, be referred to a Committee of two Clergymen and three Laymen, to report at the next General Convention.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be given to the Postmaster of this city for the excellent postal facilities afforded by him to this Convention.

The following Messages were received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 92.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur in the action communicated in Message No. 77 of the House of Deputies, for the reason that this House has already taken action in the premises; and it asks for a Committee of Conference on the subject, and appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishops of Easton and Massachusetts.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee of Conference was granted. The President appointed, as members of such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Bates, the Rev. Dr. Knight, and Mr. Fisher.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 322.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 93.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur in the action communicated in Message No. 59 of the House of Deputies, for the reason that the many important changes proposed make it impossible that the subject matter should receive due consideration on this last day of the session.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 94.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 55 of the House of Deputies, touching amendments to Title I., Canon 5, Section i., [1.].

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 95.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 63 of the House of Deputies, in regard to the repeal of Title III., Canon 3, "Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund," etc.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 96.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 69 of the House of Deputies, amending Title I.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 97.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 67 of the House of Deputies, amending Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., [1.], ix., [2.], xv., [2.], [3.], and xvii., [1.].

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 98.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Message No. 50 of the House of Deputies be referred to a Joint Committee to consider, and report to the next General Convention, on the whole subject of the relations of the two Houses of the General Convention; and it appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishops of Ohio, Western New York, Central Pennsylvania, and Quincy.

Attest

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.



On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message; and the President appointed, as members of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Dix, the Rev. Dr. Watson of North Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Lewin, the Rev. Dr. Rulison, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Nash, and Mr. Hay.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 99.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it asks for a Committee of Conference on Message No. 39 of the House of Bishops, touching proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.]; and appoints on its part, on such Committee, the Bishops of South Carolina, North Carolina, and Northern New Jersey.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in the foregoing Message was granted; and the President appointed as members of the Committee, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Fulton, the Rev. Dr. Goodrich, the Rev. Mr. Girault, Mr. Harrison of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Wilkinson.

(For the report of the Committee, see p. 320.)

The House took a recess.

The President having resumed the Chair, the following Messages were received, and were referred to the Committee on Canons:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 100.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution, recommended by the Joint Committee of Conference on the Retirement of Bishops, viz.:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring. That the following paragraph be added to Clause [4.], of Section xvi., of Canon 15, of Title I.:—

Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 322.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 101.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution, recommended by its Committee on Canons after considering certain papers concerning the spiritual condition and wants of the coloured people of the South, viz.:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following Canon be enacted, to be numbered Canon 3, Title III., viz.:—

## CANON 3.

*Of Missionary Organizations within constituted Episcopal Jurisdictions.*

§ i. In any Diocese containing a large number of persons, for whom, by reason of peculiarity of race or language, it is expedient to make special religious provision, it shall be lawful for the Bishop and Convention of the same to constitute such population into a special Missionary Organization, under the charge of the Bishop.

§ ii. When such special Missionary Organization shall have been constituted in any Diocese, the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, may annually appoint two or more Presbyters, and two or more Laymen, Communicants of this Church and members of the Diocese, as an Executive Committee to act as an advisory council to the Bishop, in all matters pertaining to the interests of said Missionary Organization; and specially it shall be the duty of said Executive Committee to aid the Bishop in the establishment of missions and schools, by seeking out suitable candidates for the Ministry, and providing for their maintenance during candidatedship, and by the performance of such other duties as the Bishop shall assign. Such Committee shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

§ iii. The Bishop, to aid him in the superintendence of such Missionary Organizations, may, as expediency shall suggest, appoint one or more Presbyters, who shall perform such duties as the Bishop may assign, and, by authority of the Bishop, may convene the Clergy and Laity of said Missionary Organization in Convocation for the purpose of furthering its work.

§ iv. Every Bishop within whose Diocese the aforesaid Missionary Organization may be constituted, if assisted or supported by the Board of Missions of the Church in the United States, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state of the Church in said Missionary Organization, and also shall make a report of the same once a year to the Board of Managers.

§ v. Congregations organized under the provisions of this Canon, and Ministers exercising their functions within such special Missionary Organizations, may be received into union with the Convention of the Diocese, on such terms and by such process as are provided by the said Diocesan Convention.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 322.)

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 102.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vii., Clauses [1.] and [2.], be amended so as to read as follows:—

§ vii., [1.]. When any person of ripe age and liberal education, who, having previously lived a sober and godly life, but not in the communion of this Church, has been duly confirmed and admitted as a Communicant of this Church, and desires to become a candidate for Holy Orders, he shall give notice of his desire to become Candidate, to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he may be resident; stating, first, whether he has applied for admission as candidate in any other Diocese; and, second, the ground and reasons of his desire; and, third, furnishing sufficient evidence of his standing and character previous to his becoming a Communicant of this Church.

[2.] With the aforesaid notice of desire must be forwarded a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the Postulant, or from satisfactory evidence laid before

them, they believe that his desire to become a Minister of this Church has not arisen from any circumstance unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

[3.] If, on receipt of such notice and certificate, the Bishop authorize further procedure, the Postulant may apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation: in order to which he must lay before the Committee, —

(1) A testimonial from at least six persons, professing faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and known to be men of virtuous life and character, of whom at least two shall be Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they have such testimonials of his former life and conversation as prove his pure moral character and pious conduct up to the time of his becoming a Communicant of this Church, and that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

(2) The Standing Committee and Bishop may then proceed as provided for in Section iii. and Section iv. of this Canon.

(3) Should such Postulant not be a citizen of the United States, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, with the notice of his intent to become a candidate, satisfactory evidence that he has at that time resided at least one year in the United States.

(4) But, should such Postulant apply on the ground of a call to a Church in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, (1) the foregoing requisition may be dispensed with; and (2) it shall be in the discretion of the Bishop and Standing Committee to dispense with the testimonials required in Section ii. and Section iii. of this Canon, and to accept and act upon such other evidence as in the nature of the case may be obtainable, and shall seem to their judgment fully equivalent; and (3) in such case a unanimous vote of the Standing Committee, at a meeting duly convened, shall be requisite: *Provided*, also, That the Postulant shall be required to produce to the Bishop a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, testifying to the authenticity and credibility of the written evidences of his religious, moral, and literary qualifications; which certificate shall also be laid before the Standing Committee.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That an additional Section, to be numbered viii. of the said Canon, be adopted, as follows:—

§ viii. When such Postulant, having fully attained the age of thirty years, desires to have a dispensation from the usual period of candidateship, not from any canonical examination, but on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, then the course of procedure shall be as follows:—

[1.] Before being admitted a Candidate for Orders, he must produce a diploma of graduation in arts from some university or college, or a certificate from the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, that he has satisfactorily passed the examination as to literary qualifications, as is elsewhere required in these Canons.

[2.] By and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the Bishop may then admit such a person a Candidate for Holy Orders, and fix, with the concurrence of the Standing Committee, the period of his candidateship.

§§ viii., ix., x., to be numbered §§ ix., x., xi., respectively.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 323.)

The Rev. Dr. Fulton, from the Committee of Conference on the

proposed Amendment to Title I., Canon 2, § vi., [2.], presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee of Conference on the Message No. 39, from the House of Bishops, concerning the proposed Amendment to Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], respectfully report that they have agreed to recommend the following as a substitute for the amendment adopted by the House of Bishops. "If the Bishop, on consideration of the circumstances of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure, and lay before the Standing Committee, a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses such strength of understanding, soundness of judgment, prudence, and aptitude to teach, as qualify him for usefulness in the sacred ministry, and adding any other reason for dispensation which they may believe to exist.

The Committee recommend that the Canon be amended accordingly.

Signed on behalf of the Committee of Conference,

JOHN FULTON.

The recommendation of the Committee was not approved.

The President appointed as members of the Committee on the Godly Discipline of the Laity, the Rev. Dr. Davies, the Rev. Dr. Shipman, Mr. Winthrop, Mr. Delano, and Mr. Sheffey.

The following Messages were received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 106.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 81, of the House of Deputies, touching amendments to Articles III., IV., and VIII., of Canon 9, of Title III.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 107.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 81 of the House of Deputies, so far as the amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., [7.], is concerned.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 108.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 88, of the House of Deputies, amending Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.].

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 109.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that its Committee on Canons has appointed the Bishops of Pennsylvania and Iowa to certify the changes made in the Canons at the present session.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 110.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a meeting of the Board of Missions be convened at 8 p.m., this day, for the sole purpose of approving the Minutes, and perfecting the Record of the Board.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 111.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 89 of the House of Deputies, in regard to alms for disabled Clergymen, and the widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 113.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Translation of the Prayer Book into the Italian Language be continued.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 114.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution, recommended by the Committee of Conference on Message No. 99 from this House to the House of Deputies, viz.:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., [2.], be amended so as to read, after the word "Church," as follows:—

"Certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses such strength of understanding, soundness of judgment, prudence, and aptitude to teach, as qualify him for usefulness in the sacred Ministry; and adding any other reason for dispensation which they may believe to exist."

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House non-concurred in the foregoing Message.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 115.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the subject of amendment of Canon 24, Title I., be, and the same is hereby, referred to the Joint

Commission on Church Incorporations and the Tenure of Church Property, with the request that the Commission report to the next General Convention such amendments to said Canon as it deems advisable.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Rev. Dr. Knight, from the Committee of Conference on Message No. 77 from this House, presented the following Report:—

The Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the House of Bishops, regarding Message No. 77 from this House, respectfully report, that in Conference they were informed that the Bishops had now concurred in the action of this House regarding changes in Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., and they ask to be discharged.

C. F. KNIGHT.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

On motion, the House adjourned till seven o'clock.

The President having resumed the Chair, the Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:—

#### REPORT No. 47.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 100, from the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., Clause [4.], permitting Bishops whose resignation has been accepted under the provisions of the Canon, by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, respectfully report the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House of Deputies does concur in the amendment to Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., Clause [4.], proposed in Message No. 100 from the House of Bishops.

By order of Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution appended to the foregoing Report was adopted, and the House concurred in Message No. 100 (see p. 317) from the House of Bishops.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

#### REPORT No. 48.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 101 from the House of Bishops, proposing a Canon to be entitled Title III., Canon 3, to provide for special Missionary Organizations in any Diocese containing a large number of persons for whom, by reason of peculiarity of race or language, it is expedient to make special religious provision, respectfully report the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the enactment of the Canon communicated in Message No. 101.

On motion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted,



and the House non-concurred in Message No. 101 (see p. 317) from the House of Bishops.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 49.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 102 from the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 2, with respect to Postulants, respectfully report the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon 2, proposed in their Message No. 102, for the reason that there is not sufficient time to give due consideration to the subject.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject be referred for action to the next General Convention.

By order of Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the foregoing Report were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Beatty, it was

*Resolved*, That, when the House adjourns, it adjourn to attend Divine Service this evening at the hour appointed for reading the Pastoral Letter; and that, after that service, the House stand adjourned *sine die*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That the President be authorized to appoint two additional members on the Committee to prepare a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language.

Whereupon the President appointed the Rev. Dr. Edwin Harwood and the Rev. J. Rockstrah.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to the Committee on Hospitality, for their generous hospitality extended to the members of this convention.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, it was

*Resolved*, That this House wishes to put on record its appreciation of the value of the services of its President, and to thank him for the skill and courtesy which he has shown in the discharge of the difficult duties of a very responsible office.

Whereupon the President briefly addressed the House.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:—

REPORT No. 50.

The Committee on Canons, being charged by Title IV., Canon 2, with the duty of appointing, at the close of the session, two of their number to certify the changes made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any Canon to another, in connection with a similar Commit-

tee from the House of Bishops, respectfully report that they have appointed for the above-named purpose, the Revs. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., and Francis Harison, D.D., and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That information of the appointment, by the Committee on Canons of this House, of the Revs. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., and Francis Harison, D.D., under the provisions of Title IV., Canon 2, be sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee further report, that they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committees of the two Houses appointed to certify the changes in the Canons, be authorized to examine, and if necessary to amend, the marginal notes appended to the Canons in the printed Digest.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Right Reverend the Historiographer of this Church be requested to revise the Note appended to the Constitution in the printed copies, so as to set forth more completely the various amendments that have been made in it since its adoption.

By order of the Committee.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the several resolutions contained in the foregoing Report were severally adopted.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following Report:—

#### REPORT No. 51.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 63 from the House of Bishops, proposing changes in Title II., Canon 6, Section ii., and Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., concerning the abandonment of the communion of this Church by a Presbyterian or Deacon, respectfully report the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House does not concur in the amendments to Title II., Canons 6 and 11, contained in Message 63 from the House of Bishops, for the reason that at this period of the session the consideration due to their importance cannot be given; and they therefore recommend that the subject be postponed to the next General Convention.

ALFRED A. WATSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution appended to the foregoing Report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Missions will meet this evening at 8.20 o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions. (See p. 458.)

The House resumed its session, the President in the Chair.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 116.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 103 of the House of Deputies, in Message No. 105 of the House of Deputies as amended in its Message No. 116, in the second resolution communicated in Message No. 112 from the House of Deputies, in Message No. 113 of the House of Deputies, in Message No. 114 of the House of Deputies, in Message No. 115 of the House of Deputies.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 117.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message 97 of the House of Deputies, referring to Article IV. of the Constitution.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

The Secretary of the House of Bishops appeared, and announced that that House had no further communication to make to the House of Deputies, and was ready for adjournment. Whereupon, the Minutes of this day's Session having been read and approved, the House united with the House of Bishops in religious services at the hour appointed for the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

At the conclusion of the religious services, the President declared the House adjourned *sine die*.

E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY,  
*President*.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,  
*Secretary*.



## SUPPLEMENTAL JOURNAL.

CONTAINING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWO HOUSES OF  
THE CONVENTION ON THE REPORT OF THE JOINT  
COMMITTEE ON THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

THE proceedings of the two Houses of the Convention, on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, are printed separately from the regular Journal of the Convention, in accordance with the following joint resolution : —

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to omit from the printed daily journal the record of the proceedings on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer; and that, in connection with the Secretary of the other House, he take order for printing all such action in a Supplemental Journal; and that permission be given for its publication also in pamphlet form, *provided* that it be done without expense to the Convention.

Adopted by the House of Bishops, 20th day of the session, Oct. 25.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

Adopted by the House of Deputies, 21st day of the session, Oct. 26.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.



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HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

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SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 4, 1883.

THE Bishop of Connecticut presented the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer (see p. 393) ; which, on his motion, was made the Order of the Day for Tuesday next at twelve o'clock.

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SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 9, 1883.

The Order of the Day having been called, on motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, part (a) in Resolution I. was adopted.

The Bishop of Springfield moved to omit from the titlepage of the Book of Common Prayer the words "Protestant Episcopal," so as to leave the following words: viz., "according to the Use of the Church in the United States of America."

On motion, the resolution was referred to the Standing Committee on the Prayer Book.

On motion, part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution I., as a whole, was adopted.

On motion, part (a) of Resolution II. was adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that the Secretary do not communicate to the House of Deputies the resolutions of this House touching the Report of the Joint Committee unless specially directed.

The Bishop of Georgia moved to add on p. ix., B. A., after the words at the end of the first paragraph, "may be used separately or together," the words, "subject to the direction of the Ordinary ;"

which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Georgia moved to add, after the words as above, the words, "*Provided*, that no one of these services be habitually disused ;"

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Illinois moved that after the words on p. x, B. A., "but only such Hymns shall be used in this Church," the words, "as are or may be duly set forth or allowed by the authority of the same," be substituted for the words, "as have been duly set forth," etc. ;

which was adopted.

On motion, the Report was made the Order of the Day for twelve o'clock to-morrow.

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### SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 10, 1883.

The Order of the Day having been called, on motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole on the Report, the Bishop of Rhode Island in the Chair.

The Committee having risen, the Chairman reported progress.

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### EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 11, 1883.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Report.

The Committee having risen, the Chairman reported progress.

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### ELEVENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 15, 1883.

The Bishop of Central New York offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee of Conference from both Houses be appointed, whose duty it shall be, whenever action on changes proposed by the Joint Committee, etc., in any one Office in the Book, shall have been completed in both Houses, if there is any disagreement between them respecting the same, to confer with reference to the harmonizing of such disagreement, and report from time to time to each House;

which was adopted.

It was ordered, that the members of such Committee, on the part of this House, be the Bishops who are members of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer.

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### THIRTEENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 17, 1883.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 16, 1883.

#### MESSAGE No. 24.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in the appointment of a Committee of Conference, proposed in Message No. 27 from the House of Bishops, and names as the members of such Committee, on the part of this House, the members of this House who are members of the Joint Committee on the Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Rhode Island, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, presented the following Report, viz. : —

Your Committee of the Whole has taken the following action, which is now recommended for adoption by the House, to wit: —

On p. ix, B. A., under "The Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read," it inserts the words "*But note that,*" before the words, "on other days, instead of reading from the Psalter as divided for daily Morning and Evening Prayer, he may read one of the Selections set out by this Church;" and also, under the Order respecting Hymns and Anthems, p. x, B. A., it adds, after the word "sermons," these words, "and also, with the consent of the Ordinary, before and after the Second Lesson at Evening Prayer, in place of the Canticles there appointed;" and adopts the remainder of Resolution II. as reported.

On p. 9 of the Report, Resolution III., it has re-committed part (a) for the insertion of sentences for Ascension Day, and has adopted parts (b), (c), and (d).

It has amended the Exhortation, p. 3, B. A., by substituting the words "unto God," for the words "before God."

It has amended part (e), proposing a substitute for the Alternative Absolution in the Standard Prayer Book, by the omission of an Alternative Absolution altogether.

It has adopted parts (f), (g), and (h).

It has amended part (i) so as to read as follows, viz.:—

“Then shall follow a portion of the Psalms, as they are appointed, or one of the Selections of Psalms. And at the end of every Psalm may be, and at the end of the Venite, Benedictus es Domine, Benedicite, Benedictus, Jubilate, De Profundis, and at the end of the whole portion or selection from the Psalter, shall be, said or sung, Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.”

It has adopted parts (j), (k), (l), as corrected to “Benedictus es Domine,” and parts (m) and (n).

It has amended part (o) by omitting the words “in double columns,” and by substituting “De Profundis” for “Levavi oculos.”

It recommends that the Gloria Patri be printed at the end of each Canticle where it is to be used.

It has amended part (p) by omitting, “or else that commonly called the Nicene Creed, as it is set forth in the Communion Office,” and inserting, “Or this,” followed by the Nicene Creed; and also by changing “And any Churches may omit,” etc., to “And any Churches may, instead of the words, ‘He descended into Hell,’ use the words, ‘He went into the place of departed spirits,’ which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed.”

It has adopted part (q).

It has not adopted part (r).

In part (s), it has adopted the First Rubric, and amended the Second Rubric so as to read as follows, viz.:—

“The following prayers are to be omitted here when the Litany is said. *But note*, that on Christmas, Easter, and Whitsun Day, the Minister may proceed, immediately after the Third Collect, to the Order for the Administration of the Holy Communion. *And note further*, that, save on the Lord’s Day, the Minister may here end the Morning Order with such Prayer or Prayers, taken out of this book, as he shall think proper.”

It has adopted part (t).

It has adopted part (u), changing “to be said,” to “may be said.”

It has adopted part (v), changing “to be said,” to “may be said when any desire to return praise.”

On p. 3, B. A., it has inserted “Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God,” with the Rubric following, as on p. 17, B. A.

In Resolution IV., it has adopted parts (a) and (b).

It has adopted part (c), changing “before” to “unto,” in the Exhortation.

It has adopted parts (d) and (e).

It has amended part (f), by substituting the following alternative form of absolution, viz.:—

The Almighty and merciful *Father* grant you true repentance, absolution and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit, through *Jesus Christ our Lord*. Amen.

It has adopted part (g).

It has amended part (h) so as to conform to the corresponding Rubric in the Morning Prayer, save as to the “Gloria in Excelsis.”

It has adopted part (i).

It has adopted part (j), omitting “and print in double columns.”

It has adopted parts (k) and (l).

It has not adopted part (m).

In part (n), it has adopted the First Rubric.

In part (n), it has adopted the Second Rubric, as amended in the Morning Prayer, save as to the Nicene Creed.

It has adopted part (o).

It has amended part (p) by substituting, as in the English Prayer Book, “Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.”

It has adopted parts (q), (r), (s), and (t).

It has adopted Resolution V., with the insertion of "on any day," after the words in the First Rubric of *The Beatitudes of the Gospel*, "the third Collect at Evening Prayer."

In Resolution VI., it has adopted part (a), with the words "Order for the" inserted before "administration."

It has amended part (b) by inserting, after "fire," "and flood, from."

It has amended part (c) by omitting "with Thy favour."

It has adopted part (d).

The following was inserted after the side-rubric: "That it may please Thee to send forth laborers into Thine harvest; *We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.*"

It has adopted part (e).

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS M. CLARK, *Chairman.*

Attest: HUGH MILLER THOMPSON, *Clerk.*

The Report, by the Committee of the Whole, of their action upon the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, being before the House, the following resolution was offered by the Bishop of Michigan:—

*Resolved*, That the resolutions, in the language in which they were adopted by the Committee of the Whole, and reported by them, be now adopted by the House.

A division being demanded, the House proceeded to the consideration of the resolutions, *seriatim*.

The question being on Resolution I., as reported by the Committee of the Whole, it was adopted.

The question being on Resolution II., as reported, the Bishop of Springfield moved to amend by substituting "the sixth day of August" for "the eighteenth day of January," in part (c), p. 8 of the Report;

which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution as reported, it was adopted.

The question being on Resolution III., as reported, the Bishop of Albany moved to amend (i) and (o) by restoring "Levavi oculos" in place of "De Profundis;"

which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution as reported, it was adopted.

The question being on Resolution IV., as reported, the Bishop of New Hampshire moved to amend by adding to the Second Rubric under (q), on p. 17 of the printed Report, the words, "*The same*

*discretion shall be allowed on the Lord's Day if the full Morning Prayer have been already said ;"*

which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted.

The question being on Resolution V., as reported, the Bishop of Illinois moved that it be indefinitely postponed ;  
which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Georgia moved to add to the First Rubric, after the words "or it may be used as a separate Office," the words "with the consent of the Ordinary ;"  
which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Illinois moved that the words, "or it may be used as a separate Office," be stricken out ;  
which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Nebraska moved to add, "save that on the Lord's Day it shall not be said in place of either Morning or Evening Prayer ;"  
which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Kansas moved to insert "this" before "Thy Word ;"  
which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution as reported, it was adopted.

The question being on Resolution VI., as reported, it was adopted.

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#### FOURTEENTH DAY.

OCTOBER 18, 1883.

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Standing Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee on the Prayer Book respectfully report that the motion to omit the words *Protestant Episcopal* from the titlepage of the Book of Common Prayer, has been considered with due respect.

Your Committee doubt not that it reflects the views and wishes of some of the best and most intelligent members of the Church ; but have not been able to recommend the adoption of the same, as expedient, or called for by the present attitude of the Church.

This name "Protestant Episcopal," it is true, was forced upon us by external pressure of circumstances, and by the laws of the land. We were known as "the Church of England ;" but that name was no longer appro-



prate, and was moreover opprobrious, in a time of animosities and revenges. The necessity of taking the place which the law assigned to us, and of consenting to be, in the eyes of the law, only one of many Christian denominations, was the more obvious, because, having been associated with the royal government and with a Church whose Bishops had seats in the House of Lords, the slightest token of arrogance or assumption would have proved an additional obstacle in the way of the Church's work and mission. We were called "Episcopalians:" popular prejudice confounded us with Romanism. The term "Protestant Episcopal" was supposed to assert at once our Orthodoxy and our Apostolicity, the two adjectives creating a composite epithet of which the force was this: if we are "Protestants," we are still "Episcopal" (that is, Apostolic and Catholic) Protestants; if we are "Episcopalians," we do not therefore any less, but rather more, earnestly protest against the pretensions of the Romish hierarchy. The Greeks have always done this more effectually than many who have neither priests nor bishops. Such, then, was the external name imposed upon us and accepted under the new civil constitution. It indicated a cordial assent to the laws of the land; but it did not impair our essential Catholicity, nor diminish the force of our perpetual recitation of the Creed which identifies us with the Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of Christ. Among ourselves, we are "the American Church." Even Bishop White constantly employs this term; and, understood as it is *esoterically*, it should give offence to nobody. In the opinion of your Committee, there is a higher view of the matter. The signal tokens of Divine Providence which have marked the whole course of this Apostolic seed in America forbid us to believe that the hand divine is not to be discerned in the award of a name which is temporarily a trial to faith and patience, but not less a note of the Kingdom which "cometh not with observation." It reminds us of Him who for thirty years was content to be known as the carpenter's son, and whose obscurity was entailed upon His mystical body, so long identified with Him as "the sect of the Nazarenes." Let us remember that it was not till a comparatively late period that the Catholic formula of the Creed obliterated the names of local churches. The Orientals, to this day, call themselves *Orthodox* rather than *Catholic*, when they mean to particularize the churches which adhere to Nicene Constitutions. Not less does the Papal Communion recognize local names as consistent with Catholicity. She has adopted the sectarian, if not heretical, Church of the Maronites, into full communion, with that name retained and authorized and perpetuated. The divers sects called *Uniat*s are part and parcel of her parti-coloured pseudo-catholic system. She perpetuates the name of the *Melchites* among her Oriental subjects, for the very purpose of asserting a superior antiquity and orthodoxy. The *Gallican Church* has often made that local and national title a patent and distinctive attribute of her qualified acceptance of the Papal Sovereignty. De Maistre regards this assertion of a distinctive name as essential Anglicanism. No impeachment of our Catholicity can be fairly based, therefore, upon the mere label of our Prayer Book, provided the Book itself is Catholic in all its component parts. Your Committee believes the Book to be Catholic essentially, and so does every candid and competent judge; and objections to its title-page must come with ill grace from the rival Communion in America, which adulterates the name of the whole Catholic Church by the prefix Roman, even in her distinctive creed. Better far an outside misnomer than an internal canker which eats out the very core of Catholic unity, and substitutes a system of fables for the ancient constitutions.

That Providence on which we rely for the future will, doubtless, create some epoch when truth will naturally assert itself, and when the interior work in which we are now engaged will develop all the external notes of Catholicity which are our rightful heritage. The whole chaos of American Christianity awaits a future shaping into unity and beauty, and even now the Spirit of God is moving upon the waters. Meantime, let "quietness and confidence be our strength."

Your Committee have felt it a duty to make these suggestions as due to scrupulous consciences disturbed by the apparent conflict between our local name and our Catholic integrity; but are constrained to offer the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*, That, apart from such changes as may be adopted under the recommendations of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, it is inexpedient to alter the titlepage of the Book of Common Prayer.

(Signed)

A. CLEVELAND COXE, *W. New York.*

J. W. BECKWITH, *Georgia.*

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, *Albany.*

SAMUEL S. HARRIS, *Michigan.*

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

## FIFTEENTH DAY.

OCTOBER 19, 1883.

The Bishop of Rhode Island, for the Committee of the Whole, presented the following Report of its action on the Report of the Joint Committee, viz. :—

Your Committee of the Whole has taken the following action, which it now recommends for adoption by this House, to wit:—

In Resolution VII. of the Report of the Joint Committee, it has adopted parts (a) and (b).

It has amended part (c) by placing the prayers *For the Increase of the Ministry* and *For Missions*, immediately after the prayers *For those who are to be admitted into Holy Orders*.

It has amended part (d) by inserting the Collect on p. 330, B. A., "O God, whose nature and property," etc., immediately after the Collect *For an answer to our Prayers*;

And by omitting "young," on p. 40, B. A., so as to entitle the prayer following, *For persons preparing for Confirmation*;

And by changing the title of the prayer on p. 41, B. A., to *For all dependent persons*;

And by changing in third, fourth, and fifth lines, to this: "We commend to Thy fatherly pity and protection, the poor, the sick, the children, the prisoners, who are dependent upon the public care;"

And by omitting all after the word "brethren," as far as to "Grant this;"

And it has amended the prayer *For Missions*, on p. 43, B. A., by substituting for the words, "to dwell on all the face of the earth," the words, "to dwell on the face of the whole earth;"

And by substituting for the words, "multiply and bless all heralds of Thy Son," the words, "be graciously pleased to multiply and bless the heralds of Thy Son;"

And in the prayer *In the vacancy of a Cure of Souls*, on p. 46, B. A., it inserts the words, "faithful work and," before the words, "blameless conversation;"

And in the prayer *For grace to speak the Truth in Love*, on p. 48, in line 2 it amends so as to read, "and whose words did fall;"

And in the fifth line, "the denial of any Christian hope ;"

And in the *General Intercession*, on p. 49, in place of "Give the spirit of governance," etc., it substitutes, "Bless all them that labour in works of mercy, and in schools of good learning."

Under part (f), it amends the title so as to read, *Thanksgiving of Women after Childbirth*;

And in line fourth of the Thanksgiving, "Thine handmaid who desireth now to offer," etc., instead of "this woman, Thy servant, who desireth now to offer," etc.;

And it amends the Thanksgiving *For an Escape from Accident*, so as to read, "in whose hand is the life of every living thing."

In the Thanksgiving *For a Safe Return*, it substitutes "of his way," for "of the great deep."

In Resolution VIII., it has amended the *Prayer for Convention*, so as to read, "be present with the Council of Thy Church here assembled in Thy Name."

And it has also amended the final prayer, "The Lord bless us," etc., so as to complete it according to the Mosaic formula.

In Resolution IX., it amends the title on p. 58, B. A., so as to read, *The Proper Order for Prayer and Thanksgiving on Thanksgiving Day, or Harvest Home*;

And it also amends by placing the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as found on pp. 244 and 245, B. A., at the end of the *Proper Order for Thanksgiving Day*;

And by changing the *Prayer for Unity*, on p. 64, B. A., in the second line, so as to read, "Grant to all Christian people grace seriously to lay to heart," etc.;

And in the ninth line, "So we may all henceforth be of one heart," etc.

And by transposing the two Thanksgivings on p. 59, B. A., and altering the Rubric so as to read, "they shall say together the Thanksgiving;"

And by substituting 2 Cor. xiii. 14, for "The Everlasting Father bless us," etc., on p. 64.

It has adopted Resolution X.

In Resolution XI., it has adopted part (a).

It has amended part (b), by substituting "after the Collect for the Day," for "before the other Collects in Advent."

It has amended part (c), by transposing the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels reported for Christmas Day, omitting the words, "At the First Communion," and "At the Second Communion," and inserting, after the first Gospel as transposed, this Rubric, viz.: "Or the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel that follow may be used."

It has adopted part (d).

It has amended the Rubric on p. 78, B. A., as follows, viz.: "Then shall follow one of the Collects of the Nativity, which shall be said continually until the Feast of the Circumcision."

It has adopted parts (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j).

It has amended part (k), by transposing and inserting, like as in part (c).

It has adopted parts (l) and (m).

It has amended part (n), by transposing and inserting, like as in parts (c) and (k).

It has adopted parts (o) and (p).

It has amended part (q), by adding to the Epistle for the Feast of the Transfiguration the next verse following.

It has re-committed part (r).

The Committee recommends, therefore, the adoption by the House, of Resolutions VII., VIII., IX., as amended, of Resolution X., and of Resolution XI. as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS M. CLARK, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolutions, as reported by the Committee of the Whole, were adopted, and ordered to be communicated to the House of Deputies.

## EIGHTEENTH DAY.

OCTOBER 23, 1883.

The following Message was received, and, on motion, referred to the Committee of Conference on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, viz. :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 18th day of the Session,  
October 23, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 42.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted Resolution I., reported by the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, amending it by inserting the word "severally" before "adopted" in the seventh line.

In Resolution II., it has inserted the word "severally" before the word "adopted" at the top of p. 8 of the Report.

It has adopted Clause (a).

Under Clause (b), in the Table of Proper Psalms, etc. (p. ix., B. A.), it has changed the place of the "Festival of Transfiguration" from after "Epiphany" to after "Trinity Sunday."

It has substituted for the words "feasts and fasts" (p. x., B. A.), the words "Holy Days."

It has added at the bottom of p. x., B. A., the following: "And no anthem shall be used except such as are in words either of Holy Scripture, or of the Book of Common Prayer."

It has amended Clause (c) by substituting for the words "the eighteenth day of January" the words "the sixth day of August."

It has amended Clause (d) by substituting for the Lectionary in B. A., pp. xi.-xix., certain Tables of Lessons.

(These Tables of Lessons are those reported by the Lectionary Committee, and already adopted by the Convention, but changed as made necessary by changing the date of the Feast of the Transfiguration.)

It has further amended Clause (d) by changing the place of the "Feast of the Transfiguration" in the Tables of Lessons, etc. (p. xii., B. A.), from after "Epiphany" to after the words "St. James the Apostle."

It has adopted Clause (e).

It has amended Clause (f) by substituting for the words "the Epiphany" the words "St. James the Apostle."

It has amended Clause (g) by substituting for the first ten words on p. xxi., B. A., the following words: "The numbers prefixed to the several days in the foregoing Calendar."

It has further amended Clause (g) by striking out the following heading on p. xxiv., B. A.: "General Tables for finding the Dominical or Sunday Letter, and the Places of the Golden Numbers in the Calendar."

Resolution III.: It has amended this resolution by inserting the word "severally" before the word "adopted" in the eighth line.

It has adopted Clauses (a), (b), and (c).

It has stricken out clause (d).

It has amended Clause (e) by substituting for the alternative form of absolution in B. A., p. 4, the following: "The Almighty and Merciful

Father grant you true repentance, absolution and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

It has adopted Clause (f).

It has amended Clause (g) by making the First Rubric to read as follows: "Then shall be sung or said this Psalm following, except on the days for which proper Anthems are appointed: except also on Ash Wednesday, the six days next before Easter, and when it is used in the course of the Psalms upon the 19th day of the month."

It has adopted Clause (h).

It has amended Clause (i) by making the first two lines of the Rubric to read as follows: "Then shall follow a portion of the Psalms, or one of the Selections of Psalms, as they are appointed."

It has further amended Clause (i) by transposing the words "said or sung," near the end of the Rubric, so as to read "sung or said."

It has further amended Clause (i) by inserting the following additional Rubric after the words "Gloria Patri," in the fourth line of the Report, p. 11.:-

"At the end of the whole portion of Psalms, or selection from the Psalter, the Gloria in Excelsis, as set forth in the Evening Prayer, may be sung or said, instead of the Gloria Patri."

It has further amended Clause (i) by directing that the full form of the Gloria Patri shall be printed after the foregoing additional Rubric.

It has adopted Clauses (j), (k), (l), (m), and (n).

It has amended (o) by adding to the Rubric the following words: "except when it is used in the course of the Psalms on the 27th day of the month."

It has stricken out Clause (p).

It has adopted Clause (q).

It has stricken out Clause (r).

It has adopted Clauses (s), (t), (u), and (v).

Resolution IV.: It has amended this resolution by inserting the word "severally" before the word "adopted" in the eighth line.

It has adopted Clause (a).

It has amended Clause (b) by striking out the word "1st" at the end of the first line.

It has adopted Clause (c).

It has amended Clause (d) so that it will read as follows: "add as an alternative *Confession*, the Form so placed in B. A., p. 18."

It has adopted Clause (e).

It has amended Clause (f) by substituting for the Alternative Declaration of Absolution, recommended in the Report, the Form adopted for Morning Prayer.

It has adopted Clauses (g), (h), and (i).

It has amended Clause (j) by striking out the word "Psalm" from the Rubric.

It has amended Clause (k) by substituting for the rubrical *note* the following:-

"*Note*, That on any day in Lent, instead of the *Magnificat* or *Cantate Domino*, or *Bonum est confiteri*, there may be said, Psalm xlii.: *Quemadmodum*."

It has adopted Clauses (l) and (m).

It has amended Clause (n) by substituting for the rubrical *note* the following:-

"*Note*, That on any day in Lent, instead of *Nunc dimittis*, or *Deus miseratur*, or *Benedic anima mea*, there may be said Psalm xliii.: *Judica me, Deus*."

It has further amended Clause (n) by striking out the Rubric beginning "Then shall be said," etc.

It has adopted Clause (o).



It has amended Clause (p) by making the eight additional versicles to read as follows:—

*Minister.* O Lord, save Thy people.

*Answer.* And bless Thine inheritance.

*Minister.* Endue Thy ministers with righteousness.

*Answer.* And make Thy chosen people joyful.

*Minister.* O Lord, bless our country.

*Answer.* And mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.

*Minister.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Answer.* For it is Thou alone that makest wars to cease in all the world.

It has amended Clause (q) by striking out, in the Second Rubric, the words "save on the Lord's Day," and making the Rubric to read as follows:

"The Minister, at his discretion, may here end," etc.

It has amended Clause (r) by striking out from the "Prayer for the President," etc. (p. 25, B. A.), the following words in the ninth line: "in Thee, and for Thee."

It has directed that the words "the Governor of this State" in the fourth line be printed in Italics.

It has adopted Clauses (s) and (t).

It has adopted the following resolution, to be numbered twenty-eight:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the order of arrangement in the Prayer Book be changed, and printed in such manner that the Proper Anthems and the Psalter shall follow immediately after the Short Office of Prayer for sundry occasions; and the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels follow, instead of precede, the Office of the Holy Communion.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*

## NINETEENTH DAY.

OCTOBER 24, 1883.

The Bishop of Utah, from the Committee of the Whole, presented the following Report, viz.:—

Your Committee beg to report the following action on the Report of the Joint Committee, and to recommend the same for adoption by this House, to wit:—

In Resolution XII., it has adopted parts (a) and (b).

It has adopted part (c), amended by substituting for the proposed Rubric the following, to wit:—

"When more than one celebration of the Holy Communion is had in a Church on the same day, the saying of the Decalogue may be omitted at the earlier Service, provided the whole Office be used once on that day. But *note*, that whenever the Decalogue is omitted, the *Summary of the Law* shall be used, beginning, *Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.*"

It has adopted part (d).

It has adopted part (f), substituting "Praise be to Thee, O Christ," for "Thanks be to Thee, O Lord."

It has adopted part (g), substituting for the proposed Rubric the following, to wit:—

"Then, unless one of them hath been used immediately before in the Morning Prayer, shall be said or sung the Apostles' Creed,—or this," the Nicene Creed being printed in full thereafter.



It has adopted parts (h), (i), (j), (k), (l).

It has adopted part (m), amended by omitting "Trisagion, or."

It has adopted part (n).

It has adopted part (o), amended by substituting for the words "that we, and all others who shall be partakers," the words, "that whosoever shall be partakers," and retaining the words, "may dwell in them, and they in Him."

It has adopted parts (p), (q), and (r).

It has stricken out part (s).

It has amended the Second Rubric after the Office, so as to read as follows, viz.:—

"And if any of the consecrated Bread and Wine remain after the Communion, it shall not be carried out of the Church; but the Minister and other Communicants shall, immediately after the Blessing, reverently consume the same."

It has added to the First Rubric after the Office, the following, viz.: "But *note*, that it shall suffice to say the Decalogue once in the same Church, on any one of those days."

It has adopted Resolution XII. as amended.

In Resolution XVI., it has adopted (a); adding at the end of the First Rubric, "the people standing to the end of the reading of the Scripture."

It has adopted (b) and (c).

It has adopted (d), amended as follows, viz.: the Rubric to read thus:—

"Then shall the Bishop demand of those who are to be confirmed these questions following; but he may at his discretion pass to the last one of the said questions;" and changing the first answer to, "I renounce them all," the second answer to "I do believe," and the fifth question to "Do ye then, in the presence of God," etc., omitting "then" when this question only is demanded.

It has adopted (e), (f), (g).

It has amended on p. 291, B. A., by substituting for "the Bishop," the following Rubric:—

"Then, the Congregation rising and responding, the Bishop shall say;"

And by inserting, after the Collect "Almighty and ever-living God," the following:—

"Sign them, O Lord, and make them to be Thine forever, by the virtue of thy holy cross and passion. Confirm and strengthen them with the inward unction of thy Holy Ghost, mercifully unto everlasting life. *Amen*;"

And by printing "*Amen*" in Italics after the sentence "Defend, O Lord." etc.;

And by inserting, after the Second Collect at the end of the office, the following:—

*"Or this,*

"Finally, O Lord, we beseech Thee that we, being saved and defended in all dangers, spiritual and bodily, and being kept from all sin and wickedness, and from our spiritual enemy, and from everlasting death, may diligently serve Thee here with a meek and quiet spirit, and receive the inheritance of everlasting rest and peace in Thy Kingdom. To Whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, we ascribe all blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, now and evermore. *Amen*."

It has adopted Resolution XVI. as amended.

It has inserted before the word "adopted," in each resolution containing more than one section, the word "severally."

In Resolution XVII., it has adopted (a).

It has substituted in the Exhortation on p. 293, B. A., the words "commended in Holy Scripture," for the words "commended of St. Paul."

It has stricken out (b).

It has amended the Rubric on p. 294, B. A., so as to read, —

"Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring, laying it on the Book. And the Minister taking the Ring," etc.

It has adopted Resolution XVII. as amended.

In Resolution XIX., it has adopted (a) and (c).

It has appended to the Rubrics on p. 308, B. A., the following:—

“This Office may be used with aged and bedridden persons, or such as are not able to attend the public ministration in Church, substituting the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for the day, for those appointed as above.”

It has adopted Resolution XIX. as amended.

In Resolution XX., it has adopted (a), substituting after the words “grievous crime,” the following, viz.: “or who, not being of unsound mind, have laid violent hands upon themselves.”

It has adopted (b).

It has adopted (c), the “*Amen*” being printed in Italics.

It has adopted (d).

It has amended the Rubric on p. 312, B. A., so as to read thus:—

“Then, while earth shall be cast upon the Body by the Minister, or some one appointed by him, the Minister shall say.”

It has adopted (e), (f), (g).

It has adopted Resolution XX. as amended.

Your Committee of the Whole further recommends to the House the following action reported by the Committee of Conference, viz.:—

1. That it do recede from its former action on (i) in Resolution III., p. 10 of the Report, leaving the Rubric as it stands in the printed Report, save as to the substitution of “*De Profundis*” for “*Levavi oculos*.”

2. That it do concur with the House of Deputies in its action amending (g) on p. 10 of the Report, so as to except also the nineteenth day of the month, and Ash-Wednesday, from the days on which the “*Venite*” is used.

3. That it do concur with the House of Deputies in its action, inserting as the first sentence in the Evening Prayer, “The Lord is in His Holy Temple,” etc.

4. That it do concur with the House of Deputies in its action, substituting in (k) on p. 15, and in (n), p. 16, of the Report, the words “may be” for “shall be.”

5. That it do concur with the House of Deputies in its action, putting the words “of this State,” in the Prayer for all in Civil Authority, on p. 25, B. A., in Italics.

6. That it do non-concur with the House of Deputies in its action on the paragraph under “Hymns and Anthems,” on p. x, B. A.

7. That it do concur with the House of Deputies in its action refusing to provide for the singing of Hymns in metre instead of Canticles;

8. That it do concur with the House of Deputies in its action inserting in the Morning Prayer, p. 4, B. A., the Alternative Form of Absolution as it was inserted in the Evening Prayer.

Respectfully submitted.

DANL. S. TUTTLE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the action of the Committee of the Whole, as reported, was approved, and its recommendations were adopted.

On motion, the foregoing action was ordered to be communicated to the House of Deputies.

The Bishop of Rhode Island, from the Committee of the Whole, presented the following Report, viz.:—

Your Committee of the Whole beg leave to present the following Report of their action on the Report of the Joint Committee and to recommend its adoption by this House, to wit:—

- In Resolution XIII., it has adopted (a), (b), and (c).  
 It has adopted Resolution XIII. as a whole.  
 In Resolution XIV., it has adopted (a), (b), (c), and (d).  
 It has adopted Resolution XIV. as a whole.  
 In Resolution XV., it has adopted (a), (b), and (c).  
 It has adopted Resolution XV. as a whole.  
 In Resolution XVIII., it has stricken out (a).  
 It has adopted (b) and (c).  
 It has adopted Resolution XVIII. as thus amended.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXI.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXII. as a whole.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXIII. as a whole.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXIV., as amended by substituting "duties" for "business" in the last part of the Morning Prayer.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXV.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXVI.  
 In Resolution XXVII., it has adopted (a), with the addition that the Psalter be paged; and with the addition that the Table of Proper Psalms, and the Table of Selections of Psalms, may be printed as a separate leaf immediately before the Psalter.  
 It has adopted (b).  
 It has adopted Resolution XXVII. as amended.  
 It has stricken out Resolution XXIX.  
 In Resolution XXX., it has adopted (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e).  
 It has adopted Resolution XXX. as a whole.  
 It has adopted Resolution XXXI.  
 In Resolution XXXII., it has adopted (a) and (b).  
 It has adopted Resolution XXXII. as a whole.  
 In Resolution XXXIII., it has adopted (a), amended so as to instruct the Joint Committee to so arrange the Table of Contents as that it shall evidently appear that the Ordinal and the Articles are distinct books, and to print after the Psalter, in the Table of Contents, a list of what follows, in order.  
 It has referred part (b) to the Joint Committee, with power.  
 It has referred part (c) to the Joint Committee, with power.  
 It has adopted (d).  
 It has adopted Resolution XXXIII. as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS M. CLARK, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, it was

*Resolved*, That the resolutions reported as adopted by the Committee of the Whole, be adopted by the House of Bishops, and be sent to the House of Deputies for concurrence.

## TWENTIETH DAY.

OCTOBER 25, 1883.

The Assistant Bishop of New York offered the following resolution, viz. : —

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to omit from the printed daily journal the record of the proceedings on the Report of the Joint Commit-

tee on the Book of Common Prayer, and that, in connection with the Secretary of the other House, he take order for printing all such action in a Supplemental Journal; and that permission be given for its publication also in pamphlet form, provided that it be done without expense to the Convention;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany, from the Committee of Conference on the Report of the Joint Committee, presented the following Report, viz. : —

The Committee of Conference have agreed to the following recommendations, which are now accordingly made to this House, to wit:—

To strike out the last clause on p. x, B. A., "Hymns and Anthems," and insert after "the same," the words, "and Anthems only in the words of Holy Scripture and the Book of Common Prayer."

On p. 8 of the Report, part (c), to recede from its action, and concur with the House of Deputies in fixing August 6 as the date of the Feast of the Transfiguration.

To insert among the Sentences in Morning Prayer the following for Ascension Day, viz. : —

"Seeing that we have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need" (Heb. iv. 14, 16).

And in Evening Prayer the following, viz. : —

"Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us" (Heb. ix. 24).

In Report, p. 16, (p), to arrange the Preces as follows, viz. : —

O Lord, save Thy people,

*Ans.* And bless, etc.

Endue Thy Ministers, etc.

*Ans.* And make, etc.

O Lord, save our rulers,

*Ans.* And mercifully, etc.

Give peace, etc.

*Ans.* For it is Thou alone, etc.

In Resolution V., p. 18, to use the Lord's Prayer before the Beatitudes.

In the Litany, B. A. 34, to add to the Rubric the words, "except when the Litany is used as a separate service."

In the Report, p. 19, (b), to insert the words, "fire and flood," after the words, "lightning and tempest."

In the Report p. 19, (c), instead of the words, "to keep and strengthen him in," to insert "to endue him with wisdom."

On p. 41, B. A., to restore the title to "*For all who are dependent on the Public Care.*"

On p. 43, B. A., *For Missions*, to read, "the heralds of the Gospel of Thy Son," and to omit "the Missionaries of Thy Gospel."

On p. 44, B. A., *For Fair Weather*, to substitute "chastisements" for "punishments."

To insert the prayer on p. 330, B. A., before the General Intercession on p. 49, B. A., and to call it *A Prayer for Mercy and Pardon.*

Respectfully submitted.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, *for the Committee.*

On motion, the recommendations of the Committee of Conference were adopted by the House.

## TWENTY-FIRST DAY.

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

### MESSAGE No. 92.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions (the House of Bishops concurring):—

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to receive from the Right Rev. Dr. John Williams, the legal title to the "Book Annexed," of which title the said Dr. Williams is at present the proprietor; and that such title be taken by the said Treasurer, and be held by him, and his successors in the office of Treasurer, in trust for the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and subject to the orders of the said Convention, from time to time to be given.

*Resolved*, That, until further orders be given, the Treasurer of the General Convention be instructed (when he shall have become legally possessed of the title to the copyright of the "Book Annexed") to give permission from time to time, to any one or more of the existing societies for the printing and distributing of the Prayer Book, or to any publisher or publishers, to print and publish the said "Book Annexed" on such terms, as to royalty or otherwise, as may be by him agreed to.

*Provided*, That in every such case satisfactory guaranty be given by the publisher or publishers that there shall be no abridgment of the book, and that it shall be paged according to a standard by the said Treasurer to be prescribed; but nothing in this resolution shall be understood to forbid a publisher printing the numbers of the Psalms in the Psalter in the heavy type commonly employed in the Hymnals.

*Resolved*, That the said Treasurer be further instructed to secure a copyright to the said Book, with the amendments and alterations which may be made thereto by this Convention, and be proposed to the several Dioceses; such title to be held, used, disposed of, and controlled, and editions thereof to be printed, as above ordered with regard to the "Book Annexed."

*Resolved*, That the said Treasurer cause to be prepared, under his direction, stereotype plates of the said Book (as it shall be proposed by this Convention), which correspond in typography and size of page with the "Book Annexed," from which plates all editions of the Book shall be printed without alterations; the said plates to be the property of this Convention: and all money received by said Treasurer, as royalty or otherwise, over and above expenses, shall be paid by said Treasurer, until further order of the General Convention, to the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged and Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, for the purposes of the said Fund.

*Resolved*, That the Secretaries of the two Houses, in preparing the Journals for publication, be instructed not to print as part of such Journals the "Book Annexed" to the Report of the Joint Committee, nor the Book as proposed to be amended.

*Resolved*, That, in the printing of the said "Book Annexed," a notice shall be inserted dividing the portion of the Book amended by the joint action of both Houses from the portion not so amended, if such portion there be, which notice shall be to this effect: viz.,—

"The following portion of the 'Book Annexed' was not acted upon by both Houses of the General Convention;" and, further, that so much of the



action of the House of Bishops, already communicated to this House, as concerns the said portion not acted upon by this House, be printed in an appendix to the said Book.

*Resolved*, That an Editing Committee of three, to consist of one from each order, be appointed to aid the Treasurer of the General Convention in carrying out the provisions of these resolutions.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message, and appointed the Bishop of Albany, on its part, as a member of the Editing Committee.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 83.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken action on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer as follows, to wit:—

It has adopted Resolution V. with the following amendments: For the First Rubric on p. 29, B. A., it has substituted the following, viz.: "*Then the Minister shall kneel and say the Lord's Prayer with the Collects following, but the Lord's Prayer may be omitted if it have been said immediately before.*"

Following the foregoing Rubric, the Lord's Prayer is to be printed in full as in Morning Prayer.

It has adopted Resolution VI. with the following amendments:—

The word "severally" is inserted before the word "adopted," in the seventh line of the resolution.

Clause (a): In the First Rubric, the word "used" is substituted for the words "said or sung."

Clause (b): It has amended the clause to read as follows: "Insert the words 'fire and flood' after the words 'lightning and tempest.'"

Clause (c): It has amended the Suffrage for the President, etc., by substituting for the words "keep and strengthen him in," the following words: "Endue him with wisdom."

Clause (d): It has added the following Suffrage:—

"That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thine harvest,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*"

Clause (e): In the Rubric beginning "The Minister may, etc.," it has inserted after the word "discretion" the following: "Except when the Litany is used as a separate service."

It has adopted Resolution VII. with the following amendments:—

The word "severally" is inserted in the ninth line, before the word "adopted."

Clause (b): In "A Prayer for Congress," it has inserted the following Rubric after the Prayer for Congress:—

"*If, during the session of Congress, the Legislature of a State be also in session, there may be added after the words 'in Congress assembled,' the words 'and for the Legislature of this State now convened.' If Congress be not in session, there may be substituted for the words 'these United States,' the name of the State, and for the words 'Senate and Representatives in Congress assembled,' the words 'Legislature now convened.'*"

In the first line of the Rubric, p. 20 of the Report, the words "or before" are substituted for the words "the period of." In the same Rubric, the words "or about to assemble" are inserted after the word "assembled."

Clause (c): The prayer "For Missions," B. A., p. 43, is omitted.

In the prayer "For Fair Weather," on p. 44, B. A., it has substituted the word "chastisements" in place of the word "punishments."



Clause (d): It has stricken out the prayer "For grace to speak the Truth in Love," B. A., p. 48.

Before "A General Intercession," B. A., p. 49, it has inserted the prayer to be found at the bottom of p. 330 and the top of p. 331, B. A., with the title "A Prayer for Mercy and Pardon."

It has inserted as the last of Evening Prayers, B. A., p. 51, the Collect for "Aid against Perils" from our present Prayer Book.

It has adopted Clause (e).

It has adopted Resolution VIII. with the following amendments: Striking out the word "Answer" before the words "As it was in," etc.

It has adopted Resolution IX.

It has adopted Resolution X.

It has adopted Resolution XI. with the following amendments:—

It has inserted the word "severally" before the word "adopted," in the eighth line of the Resolution.

It has adopted (a).

It has adopted (b), amended as proposed in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted (c) as amended in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted (d) as amended in the same Message.

It has adopted (e).

It has adopted (f).

It has adopted (g).

It has adopted (h).

It has adopted (i).

It has adopted (j).

It has adopted (k) as amended in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted (l).

It has adopted (m).

It has adopted (n) as amended in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted (o).

It has adopted (p) with an amendment inserting in the first line of the Rubric, before "Saint Andrew's Day" (p. 210, B. A.), after the word "before," the words "the Sunday next before."

It has adopted (q), amended so as to conform it to the date fixed by this House for the Feast of Transfiguration.

It has adopted (r).

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message No. 83, with these two exceptions, to wit:—

That this House retains the prayer *For Missions*, B. A., p. 43, and that it places the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Thanksgiving Day immediately after the Proper Order for Thanksgiving Day, referred to in Part (r) under Resolution XI.

The following Message was received, viz.:—

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 95.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken action on the report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer as follows, to wit:—

In Resolution XII., it has adopted Clause (c), amended as in the corresponding Clause in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted Clause (d).

It has adopted Clause (f).

It has adopted Clause (g), amended as in the corresponding Clause in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops; and it has further amended the amendment contained in said Clause by striking out the words "or sung."

It has adopted Clause (h).

It has adopted Clause (i).

It has adopted Clause (j).

It has adopted Clause (k).

It has adopted Clause (l), amended by substituting the words "on one Lord's Day" for the word "once," in the last line.

It has adopted Clause (m), amended as in the corresponding Clause in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted Clause (n).

It has adopted Clause (o), amended as in the corresponding Clause in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted Clause (p).

It has adopted Clause (q).

It has adopted Clause (r).

It has stricken out Clause (s).

It has added the following Rubric, to be introduced after the note, at the middle of p. 263, B. A. :—

"And there shall be no celebration of the Lord's Supper, except there be a convenient number to communicate with the Priest, according to his discretion.

"And even though there be not above twenty persons in the Parish of discretion to receive the Communion, yet there shall be no celebration, except three (or two at the least) communicate with the Priest."

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in Message No. 95 from the House of Deputies.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 96.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken further action on the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment as follows:—

Under Resolution XX., it has adopted Clause (a).

It has adopted Clause (b).

It has adopted Clause (c).

It has adopted Clause (d) as amended in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted Clause (e).

It has adopted Clause (f).

Under Clause (g) it has put "Amen" after the two Committals.

It has added, as an Alternate Lesson, Revelation, twenty-first chapter, to be printed in the Office.

It has adopted Resolution XX. as amended.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in Message No. 96 from the House of Deputies.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the five Collects at the close of the Communion Office be placed immediately before the Blessing.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 98.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken further action on the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, as follows: —

Under Resolution XVI., it has inserted the word "severally" before the word "adopted."

It has adopted Clause (a) with the following addition to the Rubric: —

"The people standing to the Lord's Prayer."

It has adopted Clause (b).

It has adopted Clause (c).

It has adopted Clause (d) as amended in corresponding Clause in Message No. 51 from the House of Bishops.

It has adopted Clause (e).

It has adopted Clause (f).

It has adopted Clause (g).

It has adopted Resolution XVI. as amended.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in Message No. 98 from the House of Deputies.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 99.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken action on the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, as follows: —

In Resolution XVII., it has substituted for Clause (a) the old Exhortation in the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony; amended by striking out the words "of St. Paul," and substituting therefor the words "in Holy Scripture."

It has stricken out Clause (b).

It has adopted Resolution XVII. as amended.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 100.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken action on the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, as follows: —

It has adopted Resolution XXV.

It has adopted Resolution XXVI.

It has adopted Resolution XXVII.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 104.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 103 from the House of Bishops, adopting the amendments therein proposed, in relation to the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 109.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has taken further action on the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment as follows: —

It has adopted Resolution XIII.

It has adopted Resolution XIV.

It has adopted Resolution XV.

It has adopted Resolution XVIII.

It has adopted Resolution XIX., with this amendment in the First Rubric. Substitute in the twelfth line the word "one," for the word "two."

It has adopted Resolution XXI.

It has adopted Resolution XXII.

It has adopted Resolution XXIII.

It has adopted Resolution XXIV.

It has adopted Resolution XXX.

It has adopted Resolution XXXI.

It has adopted Resolution XXXII.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the amendment of the Rubric under Resolution XIX., substituting "one" for "two," communicated in Message No. 109 of the House of Deputies.

The following Message was received, viz. : —

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 114.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book for their admirable and successful prosecution of their work.

HENRY ANSTICE, *Acting Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message No. 114 from the House of Deputies.

The Bishop of Albany, from the Committee of Conference, presented a final Report.

(For the Report, see p. 429.)

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, it was, by a constitutional majority, —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the resolutions as enumerated in the Report of the Committee of Conference, with the amendments thereafter stated, be adopted; and

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the aforesaid resolutions, as so amended, be communicated to the several Dioceses, in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That any clerical errors or manifest inaccuracies, if any, in the Report of the Committee of Conference between the two Houses, as agreed to this day, may be hereafter corrected by the Editing Committee.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

OCTOBER 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 115.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs with the House of Bishops in adopting the recommendations of the Committee of Conference on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, as contained in their Message No. 118.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop presiding.*

Attest:

WILLIAM TATLOCK,

*Secretary of the House of Bishops.*

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SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 4, 1883, A.M.

THE Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Liturgical Enrichment and Increased Flexibility of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer, appointed at the last Convention, presented the Report of the Committee (see p. 393), which, on his motion, was made the Order of the Day for Tuesday next, at 12 M.

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SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 9, 1883, A.M.

Mr. Hicks offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer:—

*Resolved*, That, on p. 6 of the Prayer Book (Book Annexed), as recommended by the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, after the words “Gloria Patri” at the end of the altered Rubric (i), the following be printed:—

*Gloria Patri.*

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

“As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*”

The Rev. Mr. Burford offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Minor Invitation, with Rubric preceding the Confession in the Order for the Holy Communion,



be taken from its present location, and placed after the First Rubric following the Consecration.

The Order of the Day, viz., the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, having been called, after prayer read by the President, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, it was

*Resolved*, That the House go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the first and second of the resolutions appended to the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, excepting so much of the latter as has to do with the Lectionary.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

P.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

## SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 10, 1883, A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Harison presented a Memorial from the Rector of the Church of the Transfiguration, in the city of New York, relating to the date of the proposed Feast of the Transfiguration; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer was made the Order of the Day at three o'clock to-day.

Mr. DeRosset offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole:—

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer be amended by the introduction of the following changes, in addition to those proposed by their Resolution No. 7, viz.:—

1. That the Caption or Title of the "Prayer for Congress" be changed so as to read:—

"A Prayer for Congress and for a State Legislature."

2. That, after the words "in Congress assembled," there shall be added the words, "and for the Legislature of this State now in session."

3. That a marginal note be added, authorizing the use of the petition for either body alone, when both bodies are not in session at the same time.

The Rev. Mr. Stanger offered the following resolution : —

*Resolved*, That during the consideration of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, no person shall be permitted to speak more than once upon the same proposition, nor for a longer time than ten minutes, except by a vote of the House.

Mr. Wilmer offered the following amendment to the foregoing resolution : —

*Resolved*, That, when the House is sitting in Committee of the Whole on the Report of the "Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer," speeches shall be limited to five minutes in length; and no member, *other than the members of the Joint Committee*, shall speak more than once on any clause of each resolution.

On motion, the resolution and amendment were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

(For the Report of the Committee, see p. 355.)

On motion of Mr. Hay, it was

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the first and second resolutions reported by the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

P.M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, it was

*Resolved*, That the residue of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, after the second resolution, be committed to the Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

## EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 11, 1883, A.M.

The Rev. Mr. Moffett offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer :—

*Resolved*, That the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer be requested to report Proper Prefaces in the Office of the Holy Communion for all those days (Good Friday excepted) for which no Preface is provided, but for which, in the Daily Offices of the “Book Annexed,” proper Psalms are provided; also, a Preface for common use on the Saints’ Days not already provided for.

The Rev. Mr. Stansbury offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee :—

*Resolved*, That the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer be requested to restore to their proper place the Introit and Prophecy, so that we may have a selection from the Psalms and other portions of the Old-Testament Scripture at every celebration of the Holy Communion.

## NINTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 12, 1883, A.M.

Mr. Edmunds, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following orders, both of which, on motion, were severally adopted :—

*Ordered*, That, when the House is sitting in Committee of the Whole on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, no member shall, without leave of the Committee of the Whole (the question on such leave to be determined without debate), speak more than once on any one clause of the proposed amendment reported by the Joint Committee, and any amendments offered thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the Whole, when sitting as in the foregoing order mentioned, may, on motion, direct that all debate shall terminate on any pending resolution or any amendments thereto, at a time named; which resolution shall not be debatable.

• Mr. Prince offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole :—

*Resolved*, That the sentence, “The Lord is in His holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before Him” (Hab. ii. 20), be restored to the head of the sentences at the commencement of the Order for Daily Evening Prayer, in the Book of Common Prayer now under consideration.

Mr. Nash offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on his motion, were laid on the table : —

WHEREAS, The General Convention of 1880 appointed a Joint Committee of twenty-one to consider and report upon the propriety of "certain alterations in the Book of Common Prayer, in the direction of liturgical enrichment and increased flexibility of use;" and whereas said Committee has made a report recommending sundry alterations in and additions to the Book of Common Prayer, which alterations and additions are stated in thirty-three separate resolutions forming part of their report, and are embodied in a Book Annexed, which exhibits the present Book of Common Prayer as modified by the proposed alterations and additions: It is hereby

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the said several alterations and additions as stated in the thirty-three resolutions of the said Committee be, and the same are hereby, proposed in this General Convention, in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution; and, in further accordance with said Article, it is hereby resolved that the same be made known to the Convention of every Diocese of this Church in the United States, to the end that the same may be acted upon at the next General Convention, and be adopted in whole or in part, as by the said Convention shall be determined.

The same gentleman offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was laid on the table : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer be continued until the next General Convention, with power to sit during the recess, and to print and make known, before the meeting of said Convention, any further or other amendments or alterations of the Book of Common Prayer which they may have agreed to report.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole : —

*Resolved*, That the Rubric at the beginning of the "Order for Daily Morning Prayer" be amended by striking out the words, "on Christmas Day, Easter Day, and Whitsunday, and on any day not the Lord's Day," and insert the words "at his discretion;" so that the Rubric would read: —

"The Minister shall begin the Morning Prayer by reading one or more of the following sentences of Scripture; and then he shall say that which is written after them; save that he may, at his discretion, proceed at once to bid the people to prayer at the confession, or, except on days of fasting and abstinence, at the Lord's Prayer."

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

## TENTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 13, 1883, A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Wakefield offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee of the Whole :—

*Resolved*, That, in the Prayer for Fine Weather, the following three words be omitted, viz. : “for our sins.”

*Resolved*, That, in the Prayer to be used in time of Dearth and Famine, the following five words be omitted, viz. : “most justly for our sins.”

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole :—

*Resolved*, That the following Rubric be placed at the end of the Communion Office :—

“The Holy Communion shall not be celebrated in any Congregation, unless there be some persons present in the congregation ready and expected to partake thereof with the Priest.”

Mr. Hicks offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee :—

*Resolved*, That the word “Amen” at the end of the Rubric, in the middle of p. 4 of the Book Annexed, be printed in *Italics*, with prominent type, as after all the prayers where the “*Amen*” is an answer of the people.

The Rev. Mr. Richardson offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee :—

*Resolved*, That in the Morning Service, after the Exhortation, the following Rubric be inserted, viz. :—

“Or else he shall say as followeth.”

After which also insert the following invitation, viz. :—

“Let us humbly confess our sins before Almighty God.”

Mr. Judd offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Whole :—

*Resolved*, That from the Rubric at the foot of p. 11, Part (p) of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, there be omitted the words, “that commonly called,” also the words, “as set forth in the Communion Office;” so that the first sentence in said Rubric shall read as follows :—

“Then shall be said, by the Minister and People standing, the Apostles’ Creed, or else the Nicene Creed.”

*Resolved*, That the same words be omitted from the Second Rubric, under Part (n), p. 16 of the same Report, so that the first sentence thereof shall read as above.

*Resolved*, That from the Rubric, on p. 28, under Part (g), there be omitted the words, “as here followeth;” so that said Rubric shall read thus : “Then shall be said or sung the Apostles’ or the Nicene Creed, unless

one of them hath been used immediately before in the Morning Prayer; provided that the Nicene Creed shall be said on Christmas-day, Easter-day, Ascension-day, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday."

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

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### ELEVENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 15, 1883, A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, of California, offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole :—

*Resolved*, That in the prayer "For All Conditions of Men," instead of "For Thy Holy Church Universal," the words of the English Prayer Book be restored, "For the Good Estate of the Catholic Church."

The Rev. Dr. Huntington offered the following resolutions, which were placed on the Calendar :—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to receive from the Right Rev. Dr. John Williams the legal title to the Book Annexed, of which title the said Dr. John Williams is at present the proprietor in trust.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be instructed to convey to any publisher or publishers, for a nominal consideration, the right to print and to sell the said Book Annexed.

*Provided*, That in every such case a satisfactory guaranty be given by the publisher or publishers, that there shall be no abridgment of the Book, and that it shall be paged according to a standard by the said Treasurer to be prescribed.

But nothing in this resolution shall be understood as forbidding a publisher to print the numbers of the Psalms in the Psalter in the heavy type commonly employed in Hymnals.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.



P.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

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TWELFTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 16, 1883, A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Franklin offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole :—

*Resolved*, That the following addition be made to the suggestions in the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, and inserted on p. 29 of that Report, after Part (p), viz. :—

(pp) In order to recover a lost enrichment, such changes shall be here made as may be needful for restoring to their rational liturgic position and historic place the Lesser Exhortation, the Confession, and Absolution, with following Scriptures, and the Prayer of Humble Access; so that henceforward they shall, as of old, immediately precede the Distribution.

Mr. Fish offered the following resolutions, which, on his motion, were laid on the table :—

*Resolved*, That if the Committee on the Whole, on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, shall not have completed the consideration of the subject committed to them at the close of the session on            next, the Committee shall then be discharged from the further consideration thereof; and further

*Resolved*, That (if the House of Bishops concur) the Report, together with all amendments which may have been made in the Committee of the Whole or in either House, shall be re-committed to the Joint Committee, who are instructed to receive and consider any further amendments that may be submitted to them, in writing, on or before the first day of January, 1885, by any Bishop, or by any Clerical or Lay Deputy to this Convention; and that the Joint Committee report to the next General Convention.

*Resolved*, That the President of this House be authorized to fill any vacancy existing among the Clerical and Lay members of the Committee, at the close of the present session of the Convention.

The following Message was received :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 11th day of the Session,  
October 15, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 27.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee of Conference from both Houses be appointed, whose duty it shall be, whenever ac-

tion on changes proposed by the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichments, etc., in any one Office in the Book, shall have been completed in both Houses, if there is disagreement between them respecting the same, to confer with reference to the harmonizing of such disagreement, and report from time to time to each House.

It has further ordered, That the members of such Committee, on the part of this House, be the members of this House who are members of the Joint Committee on the Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Perkins, the members, on the part of this House, of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, were constituted the members of the Committee of Conference.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

P.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

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### THIRTEENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 17, 1883, A.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

P.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

## FOURTEENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 18, 1883, A.M.

The following Message was received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 13th day of the Session,  
October 17, 1883.

## MESSAGE No. 40.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted Resolution I., reported by the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer.

It has adopted Part (a) of Resolution II.

It has amended Part (b) by the addition to the first paragraph, "Concerning the Services of the Church," of the words, "provided that no one of these Services be habitually disused."

It has also amended Part (b) by altering the first paragraph under "Hymns and Anthems," so as to read, "but only such Hymns shall be used in this Church as are, or may be, duly set forth or allowed by the authority of the same."

On p. ix., B.A., under "The Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read," it inserts the words "But note that," before the words "on other days, instead of reading from the Psalter as divided for daily Morning and Evening Prayer, he may read one of the Selections set out by this Church;" and also, under the order respecting Hymns and Anthems, to add, after the word "sermons," these words, "and also, with the consent of the Ordinary, before and after the Second Lesson at Evening Prayer, in place of the Canticles there appointed;" and adopts the remainder of Resolution II. as reported.

On p. 9 of the Report, Resolution III., it has recommitted Part (a) for the insertion of Sentences for Ascension Day, and has adopted Parts (b), (c), and (d).

It has amended the Exhortation by substituting the words "unto God," for the words "before God."

Part (e), proposing a substitute for the Alternative Absolution in the Standard Prayer Book, it has amended by the omission of an Alternative Absolution altogether.

It has adopted Parts (f), (g), and (h).

It has amended Part (i) so as to read as follows, viz. : "Then shall follow a Portion of the Psalms, as they are appointed, or one of the Selections of Psalms. And at the end of every Psalm may be, and at the end of the *Venite, Benedictus es Domine, Benedicite, Benedictus, Jubilate, De Profundis*, and at the end of the whole Portion or Selection from the Psalter, shall be, said or sung, "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;" Answer, "As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."

It has adopted Parts (j), (k), (l) as corrected to "*Benedictus es Domine*," and Parts (m) and (n).

It has amended Part (o) by omitting the words "in double columns," and by substituting "*De Profundis*" for "*Levavi oculos*."

It has recommended that the *Gloria Patri* be printed at the end of each Canticle where it is to be used.

It has amended Part (p) by omitting "or else that commonly called the Nicene Creed, as it is set forth in the Communion Office," and inserting "or this," followed by the Nicene Creed.

And also by changing "And any Churches may omit," etc., to "And any

Churches may, instead of the words 'He descended into hell,' use the words, 'He went into the place of departed spirits,' which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed."

It has adopted Part (q).

It has not adopted Part (r).

It has adopted the First Rubric in Part (s), and it has amended the second Rubric to read as follows:—

"The following prayers are to be omitted here when the Litany is said. But note, that on Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday, the Minister may proceed, immediately after the Third Collect, to the Order for the Administration of the Holy Communion. And note further, that, save on the Lord's Day, the Minister may here end the Morning Order with such Prayer or Prayers taken out of this Book as he shall think proper."

It has adopted Part (t).

It has adopted Part (u), changing "to be said" to "may be said."

It has adopted Part (v), changing "to be said" to "may be said when any desire to return praise."

It has inserted on p. 3, B.A., "Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God," with the Rubric following, as on p. 17, B.A.

In Resolution IV., it has adopted Parts (a) and (b).

It has adopted Part (c), changing "before" to "unto."

It has adopted Parts (d) and (e).

It has amended Part (f) by substituting the following alternative form of absolution, viz.:—

"The Almighty and merciful *Father* grant you true repentance, absolution and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit; through *Jesus Christ our Lord*. Amen."

It has adopted Part (g).

It has amended Part (h) so as to conform to the corresponding notice in the Morning Prayer, save as to the Gloria in Excelsis.

It has adopted Part (i).

It has adopted Part (j), omitting "And print in double columns."

It has adopted Parts (k) and (l).

It has not adopted Part (m).

It has adopted the First Rubric in Part (n).

It has adopted the Second Rubric, as amended in the Morning Prayer, save as to the Nicene Creed, in Part (n).

It has adopted Part (o).

It has amended Part (p) by substituting, as in the English Prayer Book, "Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God."

It has adopted Part (q), with the addition, after the Second Rubric, "The same discretion shall be allowed on the Lord's Day if the full Morning Prayers have been already said."

It has adopted Parts (r), (s), and (t).

It has adopted Resolution V., with the insertion of "on any day," after the words in the First Rubric of the Beatitudes of the Gospel, "the Third Collect at Evening Prayer."

In Resolution VI., it has adopted Part (a), with the words "Order for the" inserted before "Administration."

It has amended Part (b) by inserting after "fire," "and flood, from."

It has amended Part (c) by omitting "with Thy favour."

It has adopted Part (d).

The following was inserted after the side-rubric:—

"That it may please Thee to send forth labourers into Thine harvest, We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord."

It has adopted Part (e).

Attest :

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary*.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Mr. Wilkinson offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar : —

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to consider, and report as soon as conveniently may be, what portions of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book ought to be immediately adopted as of greatest and most pressing importance, and as necessary for securing the main objects had in view in the appointment of the Joint Committee at the last General Convention.

P.M.

On motion of Mr. Hay, it was

*Resolved*, That the vote by which Message No. 40 from the House of Bishops was this morning referred to the Committee of the Whole, be reconsidered.

On motion of the same gentleman, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee of the Whole have leave to make separate Reports upon the resolutions reported by the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, committed to it by order of the House.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Mr. Nelson offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order : —

*Resolved*, That hereafter, in this House, whether sitting as such or in Committee of the Whole, debate be limited to five minutes for each speaker, and no person shall speak more than once on the same subject.

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## FIFTEENTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 19, 1883, A.M.

Mr. Withers, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following resolution, which was adopted : —

*Resolved*, That hereafter, in Committee of the Whole, debate be limited to five minutes for each speaker, and no person shall speak more than once on the same subject without consent of the Committee.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

P.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

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## SIXTEENTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 20, 1883, A.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

On motion, the Chairman of the Committee was instructed to report to the House the action thus far taken by the Committee.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee presented the two following Reports:—

### REPORT No. 1.

The Committee of the Whole has had under consideration the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer; and under the order of the Committee, made in the pursuance of the resolution of this House, the Committee has instructed the Chairman to make the following Report:—

That the Committee has considered *three* of the resolutions referred to them, and has agreed to recommend the same for adoption by the House, with certain amendments, which are as follows:—

The Committee proposes to amend:—

Resolution II., Part (b), under "The Order how the Rest of the Holy Scripture is appointed to be read" (see B. A., p. x.), by substituting the words "Holy Days," in place of the words "Feasts and Fasts."

Part (b), under a "Table of Proper Psalms on Certain Days" (see B. A., p. ix.), changing the position of the Feast of the *Transfiguration* from after *Epiphany*, to after *Trinity Sunday*.

Part (c), by substituting the words "sixth day of August," for "eighteenth day of January."

Part (d), by changing the position of the Feast of *Transfiguration*, in the Table of Lessons for Holy Days (see B. A., p. xii.), from after *Epiphany*, to after *St. James the Apostle*; also transferring the same Feast from the eighteenth day of January (see B. A., p. xiv.) to the sixth day of August (see B. A., p. xvii.).

Part (f), substituting, for the words "the *Epiphany*," the words "St. James the Apostle."

Part (g), amending the Tables provided by this Part, as follows:—

In the first line on p. xxi., B. A., substituting for the words "The Numbers in the Calendar prefixed to the several days," the following: "The Numbers prefixed to the several days in the foregoing Calendar."

And further amending this Part by striking out on p. xxiv., B. A., the following words at the top of page: "General Tables for finding the Dominical or Sunday Letter, and the places of the Golden Numbers in the Calendar."

Resolution III., Part (d) is stricken out.



Part (g), First Rubric, so as to read as follows:—

"Then shall be sung or said the Psalm following, except on the days for which proper Anthems are appointed; except also on Ash Wednesday, the six days next before Easter, and when it is used in the course of the Psalms upon the nineteenth day of the month."

Part (i): The first two lines so as to read as follows:—

"Then shall follow a portion of the Psalms, or one of the Selections of Psalms, as they are appointed."

In the last line but one of the same Rubric (p. 11), the words "said or sung" to be transposed, and to read "sung or said."

To insert, after the foregoing Rubric, the Gloria Patri as follows:—

*Gloria Patri.*

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

"As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*"

After the Gloria Patri, to insert the following as a new Rubric:—

"At the end of the whole portion of Psalms, or selection from the Psalter, the Gloria in Excelsis may be sung or said, instead of the Gloria Patri."

Part (o) after the Rubric, —

"Or this Psalm," to add the words, "except when it is used in the course of the Psalms on the twenty-seventh day of the month."

Part (p) is stricken out.

(The Rubric in our present Prayer Book is accordingly retained.)

Part (r) is stricken out.

(So that the present Rubric and the Nicene Creed are retained.)

Resolution IV.: Part (d) has been amended by striking out the following words: "In the Rubric before the General Confession, substitute the word 'with' for the word after 'and.'"

So that Part (d) will read, "Add as an *Alternative Confession* the Form so placed in B. A., p. 18."

Part (f) amended so as to read:—

"Substitute for the present *Alternative Declaration of Absolution* the following:—

"The Almighty and Merciful Father grant you true repentance, absolution and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*"

Part (j): After the words, —

"Or this," strike out the word "Psalm."

Part (n): The Rubric beginning, "Then shall be said," is stricken out.

(Leaving the Rubric as in the present Prayer Book.)

Part (p): The first versicle, "O Lord, save our rulers," is amended by substituting the words, "O Lord, bless and preserve these United States."

The eight versicles are re-arranged as follows:—

*Minister.* O Lord, save Thy people.

*Answer.* And bless Thine inheritance.

*Minister.* Endue Thy ministers with righteousness.

*Answer.* And make Thy chosen people joyful.

*Minister.* O Lord, bless and preserve these United States.

*Answer.* And mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.

*Minister.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Answer.* For it is Thou alone that makest wars to cease in all the world.

Part (q): The first clause is amended by substituting for the same the following:—

"In the Collect for 'Aid against Perils,' after the words 'this day,' insert the words, 'lighten our darkness, we beseech Thee,' and."

The second Rubric is amended so as to read as follows: "The Minister, at his discretion, may here end the Evening Prayer," etc.

Part (r), The Prayer for the President of the United States, etc. (B. A., p. 25), is amended by Italicising the words "*The Governor of.*"

The same prayer is further amended by striking out the words "in Thee, and for Thee," in the ninth line.

All of which is respectfully submitted by the Committee.

HUGH W. SHEFFEY, *Chairman*.

#### REPORT No. 2.

The Committee has further instructed me to report to the House, and recommend for its adoption, the following resolution, to be numbered XXVIII., in the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the order of arrangement in the Prayer Book be changed and printed in such manner that the Proper Anthems, and the Psalter, shall follow immediately after the Short Office of Prayer for Sundry Occasions; and the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels follow instead of precede the Office of the Holy Communion.

HUGH W. SHEFFEY, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington called up the preamble and resolution of Mr. Nash, offered on the ninth day of the session (see p. 356), and offered the following as an amendment:—

WHEREAS, The General Convention of 1880 appointed a Joint Committee of twenty-one, to consider and report upon the propriety of certain alterations in the Book of Common Prayer, in the direction of liturgical enrichment, and increased flexibility of use; and

WHEREAS, Said Committee has made a Report, recommending sundry alterations and additions in the Book of Common Prayer, which alterations and additions are stated in thirty-three separate resolutions forming part of their Report, and are embodied in a Book Annexed, which exhibits the present Book of Common Prayer as modified by the proposed alterations and additions: it is hereby

*Resolved*, That there shall be, and are hereby, proposed in this General Convention, for adoption or rejection by the next General Convention, the alterations and additions in the Book of Common Prayer, in the said Report and the Book Annexed as amended severally and separately set forth; and each of the sections therein noted is hereby proposed as a distinct and independent alteration or addition in the said Book of Common Prayer, and to be acted upon separately by the next General Convention.

*Resolved*, That the said alterations and additions be severally made known to the Convention of every Diocese of this Church, to the end that each and every one of them may be acted upon for adoption or rejection, as the said Convention shall determine.

Mr. Sheffey offered the following, which was laid over for consideration at some future time, with the foregoing resolution of the Rev. Dr. Huntington.

(For the consideration of the resolutions, see p. 369.)

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That in the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, and the Book Annexed, returned therewith, substantial and, in general, satisfactory provision has been made "in the direction of liturgical enrichment and increased flexibility of use" of the Book of Common Prayer, and for the needs of the Church in the exigencies of the present times; but in view of the very grave importance of the measure proposed, involving, as it does, many changes by way of alteration or addition in a book which is very dear to the people, and which

has for nearly one hundred years been to the Church "as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land," it is deemed proper to allow further time for the consideration of the subject, so that, when the amendments are constitutionally proposed for acceptance, they may be as free from defects and errors as practicable; and therefore (both Houses concurring) said Report, including the parts thereof which have been considered by the respective Houses, be re-committed to said Joint Committee, with the request that they make further report thereon at the next session of the General Convention: and the two Houses trust, that, at that time, the General Convention will be clothed with the power, as to any alterations or additions to the Book of Common Prayer, which may then be proposed, to authorize the use thereof for three years prior to final action thereon.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article 8 of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following words:—

*And provided further*, That the General Convention, at its session to be holden in October, 1886, may authorize the use, for the period of three years thereafter, of such alterations and additions to the Book of Common Prayer, as it may propose for adoption at such session.

*Resolved*, That the foregoing amendment, proposed for adoption at the next General Convention, be made known to the Council or Convention of every Diocese.

The following Message was received, viz. :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 15th day of the Session,  
October 19, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 51.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted, of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, the following portions in addition to those communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 40, from this House:—

It has adopted Part (a) in Resolution VII.

It has adopted Part (b) in Resolution VII.

It has adopted Part (c) in Resolution VII., as amended by placing the Prayers for the Increase of the Ministry, and for Missions, immediately after the Prayers for those who are to be admitted into Holy Orders.

It has adopted Part (d) in Resolution VII., as amended by inserting the Collect on p. 330, B. A., "O God, whose nature and property," etc., immediately after the Collect "For an Answer to our Prayers."

It has adopted Part (e) in Resolution VII.

It has adopted Part (f) in Resolution VII.

It has adopted Part (g) in Resolution VII.

In Resolution XI., it has adopted Part (a).

It has amended Part (b) by substituting "after the Collect for the Day," for "before the other Collects in Advent."

It has amended Part (c) by transposing the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels reported for Christmas Day, omitting the words, "At the First Communion,"

and "At the Second Communion," and inserting, after the first Gospel as transposed, this Rubric, viz., "Or, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel that follow may be used."

It has adopted Part (d).

It has amended the Rubric on p. 78, B. A., as follows, viz., "Then shall follow one of the Collects of the Nativity, which shall be said continually until the Feast of the Circumcision."

It has adopted Parts (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j).

It has amended Part (k) by transposing and inserting like as in Part (c).

It has adopted Parts (l) and (m).

It has amended Part (n) by transposing and inserting like as in Parts (c) and (k).

It has adopted Parts (o) and (p).

It has amended Part (q) by adding to the Epistle for the Feast of the Transfiguration, the next verse following.

It has re-committed Part (r).

It has further amended Resolution VII., Part (d), as follows, viz.,—

(1) By omitting "young," on p. 40, B. A., so as to entitle the Prayer following "For Persons preparing for Confirmation."

(2) By changing the title of the Prayer on p. 41, B. A., to "For all Dependent Persons." By changing in third, fourth, and fifth lines, to this: "We commend to Thy fatherly pity and protection, the poor, the sick, the children, the prisoners, who are dependent upon the public care;" and by omitting all after the word "brethren," as far as to "Grant this."

(3) In the Prayer "For Missions," on p. 43, B. A., the words, "to dwell on all the face of the earth," were amended so as to read, "to dwell on the face of the whole earth;" and by substituting, for the words "multiply and bless all heralds of Thy Son," the words, "be graciously pleased to multiply and bless the heralds of Thy Son."

(4) In the Prayer "In the vacancy of a Cure of Souls," on p. 46, B. A., the words "faithful work and" were inserted before the words, "blameless conversation."

(5) In the Prayer "For Grace to speak the Truth in Love," on p. 48, in line 2, the words were amended so as to read, "and whose words did fall;" and, in fifth line, "the denial of any Christian hope."

(6) In the "General Intercession" on p. 49, in place of "Give the spirit of governance," etc., it has substituted, "Bless all them that labour in works of mercy, and in schools of good learning."

Under Part (f),—

(1) The title was amended so as to read, "Thanksgiving of Women after Childbirth;" and in line fourth of the Thanksgiving, "Thine handmaid who desireth now to offer," etc., was substituted for "this woman, Thy servant, who desireth now to offer," etc.

(2) In the Thanksgiving "For an Escape from Accident," it has amended so as to read, "in whose hand is the life of every living thing."

(3) In the Thanksgiving "For a Safe Return," it has substituted "of his way," for "of the great deep."

In Resolution VIII., it has amended "The Prayer for Convention" so as to read, "be present with the Council of Thy Church *here* assembled in Thy name."

In Resolution VIII., it has amended the final prayer, "The Lord bless us," etc., so as to complete it according to the Mosaic formula.

In Resolution IX., it amends the title on p. 58, B. A., so as to read, "The Proper Order for Prayer and Thanksgiving on Thanksgiving Day, or Harvest Home."

It amends also, by printing the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as found on pp. 244 and 245, B. A., at the end of the Proper Order for Thanksgiving Day.

It amends the Prayer for Unity, on p. 64, B. A., in second line, so as to read, "Grant, to all Christian people, grace seriously to lay to heart," etc.; and in the ninth line, "so we may all henceforth be of one heart," etc.; by transposing the two Thanksgivings on p. 59, B. A., and altering the Rubric so as to read, "They shall say together the Thanksgiving;" and by substituting 2 Cor. xiii. 14, for "The everlasting Father bless us," etc., on p. 64.

This House has adopted Resolution VII. as amended.

It has adopted Resolution VIII. as amended.

It has adopted Resolution IX. as amended.

It has adopted Resolution X.

It has adopted Resolution XI. as amended.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Acting Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Spalding, it was

*Resolved*, That the two Reports of the Committee of the Whole, this day made to this House, be made the Order of the Day, on Monday, at 11 A.M.

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## SEVENTEENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 22, 1883, A.M.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the several resolutions offered by Mr. Nash, on the ninth day of the session (see p. 356) ; by the Rev. Dr. Huntington, on the sixteenth day of the session (see p. 366) ; and by Mr. Sheffey, on the sixteenth day of the session (see p. 366). Mr. Wilder offered the following substitute : —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That such parts of the Report of the Joint Committee upon the Book of Common Prayer as have been considered in detail in this House, viz., Resolutions No. 1 to No. , inclusive, and the several subdivisions thereunder, are adopted as several and independent propositions, and that they be severally made known to the several Dioceses, with a view to their final adoption by the next General Convention.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the balance of said Report of said Joint Committee, viz., Resolutions No. to No. 33 inclusive, be re-committed to said Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer.

*Resolved*, That the President be requested by appointment to fill the vacancy existing on the part of this House in said Joint Committee.

P.M.

On motion of Mr. Prince, the resolutions were laid on the table.

(For the further consideration of the resolutions, see p. 372.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, it was

*Resolved*, That this House do now take up and consider the Report of the Committee of the Whole, resolution by resolution.

On motion, Resolution I. of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book was adopted.

Resolution II. of the Report being under consideration, on motion, the amendments proposed by the Committee of the Whole were severally adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That the Lectionary (in the B. A.) be amended by substituting the tables hereto annexed.



Mr. Sheffey offered the following, to be added at the bottom of p. x. (B. A.) : —

And no anthems shall be used except such as are in words either of Holy Scripture or of the Book of Common Prayer;

which was adopted.

On motion, Resolution II., as amended, was adopted.

Resolution III. being under consideration, the amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole were, on motion, severally adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Logan, it was

*Resolved*, That Part (e) be stricken out, and the following be substituted in its stead: —

“Substitute for the present Alternative Declaration of Absolution the following: —

“The Almighty and merciful Father grant you true repentance, absolution, and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

On motion of Mr. DeRosset, it was

*Resolved*, That the word “severally” be inserted before “adopted,” in the eighth line of the third resolution.

Part (i) being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Sheffey, it was

*Resolved*, That, in the Rubric which follows the Gloria Patri, there be inserted after the words “Gloria in Excelsis,” the following words: “As set forth in the Order of Evening Prayer.”

On motion, Resolution III., as amended, was adopted.

Resolution IV. being under consideration, on motion, the amendments recommended by the Committee of the Whole were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gibson, it was

*Resolved*, That in Part (p) the Versicle “O Lord, bless and preserve these United States,” be amended so as to read, “O Lord, bless our country.”

Part (q) being under consideration, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Moffett, it was

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee of the Whole be amended by adopting the form as given in the Book Annexed.

Part (b) being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Prince, it was



*Resolved*, That Section (b) be amended by striking out the word "1st" at the end of the first line.

Part (k) being under consideration, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, the following *Note* was substituted for that printed in the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book: —

*Note*, That on any day in Lent, instead of the Magnificat, etc., there may be said Psalm xlii., *Quemadmodum*.

Part (n) being under consideration, —

On motion of the same gentleman, the following was substituted for the *Note* in this Part: —

*Note*, That on any day in Lent, instead of the *Nunc Dimittis*, or *Deus Misereatur*, or *Benedic, anima mea*, there may be said Psalm xlii., — *Judica me, Deus*.

On motion of Mr. Bates of Delaware, it was —

*Resolved*, That the word "severally" be inserted in Resolutions I., II., and IV., as in Resolution III.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to insert the word "severally" in other resolutions, where necessary.

On motion, Resolution IV., as amended, was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXVIII. (proposed by the Committee of the Whole) was adopted.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

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## EIGHTEENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 23, 1883, A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Benedict offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar: —

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the session of this Convention continue for the purpose of considering the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, so long as there shall be a quorum of both Houses, or till the consideration of the Report be completed.

## NINETEENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 24, 1883, A.M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, it was —

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer be made the Order for to-day at 12.45 o'clock, and that it continue the Order of the Day until finally disposed of.

P.M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, it was —

*Resolved*, That the resolution of Mr. Nash, with the amendment by Dr. Huntington, the amendment by Judge Sheffey, and the amendment by Judge Wilder, be taken from the table.

(For the several resolutions, see pp. 356, 366, 369.)

The question recurring on the first resolution of Mr. Wilder, it was adopted. The question recurring on the second resolution of Mr. Wilder, it was not adopted. The original resolution was amended, and, thus amended, was adopted.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

8 P.M.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

## TWENTIETH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 25, 1883, A.M.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Chetwood, it was —

*Resolved*, as the sense of this House, That in the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, no motion should be made or entertained, involving changes, by way of correction in the Prayer Book, not contained in the Report.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Sheffey in the Chair.

The Committee rose. The President having resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole presented also the following Report:—

#### REPORT No. 3.

The Committee of the Whole, having had under consideration Resolutions V. and VI. and Resolution VII. of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, respectfully reports, that it recommends the same for adoption by the House, with certain amendments, which are as follows:—

Resolution V.: For the Rubric on p. 29, B. A., it has substituted the following:—

"Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer with the Collects following; but the Lord's Prayer may be omitted if it have been said immediately before."

And the Lord's Prayer shall be printed in full as in Morning Prayer.

Resolution VI.: It has amended this Resolution by inserting the word "severally" before the word "adopted" in the seventh line.

Part (a): It has substituted the word "used" for the words "said or sung" in the First Rubric.

Part (b): It amends by striking out the word "fire" where it occurs, and inserts the words "fire and flood" after the words "lightning and tempest."

Part (c): It has amended the Suffrage for the President of the United States, by substituting, for the words "keep and strengthen him in," the following words, "endue him with wisdom."

It has inserted as an additional intercession, after the Intercession for Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the following:—

"That it may please Thee to send forth labourers into Thine harvest;

"We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord."

Part (e): It has amended the Rubric, by inserting, after the word "discretion," the following, "except when the Litany is used as a separate service."

Resolution VII.: It has amended the Resolution by inserting the word "severally" before the word "adopted" in the ninth line.

Part (b): It has amended the Rubric: (1) by adding after the word "during," in the first line, the words "or before,"

(2) By striking out the words "the period of," in the first line;

(3) By inserting after the word "assembled," in the fifth line, the words "or about to assemble."

It has stricken out, in the "Prayer for Fair Weather," on p. 44, B. A., the words "for our sins," in the third line.

Part (c): It has stricken out the fifth line, "For Missions, B. A., p. 43," on p. 21 of the Report, and the corresponding Prayer on p. 43, B. A.

It has amended the "Prayer for Fair Weather," p. 44, B. A., by substituting, in the seventh line, the word "chastisements" for the word "punishments."

Part (d): It has stricken out lines seventeen and eighteen, to wit: "For Grace to speak the Truth in love, B. A., p. 48," and the corresponding Prayer on p. 48, B. A.

Between the second and third lines (p. 22), it inserts the following Title:

"A Prayer for Mercy and Pardon, B. A., p. 49;" and it inserts on p. 49, before "A General Intercession," the Prayer found at the bottom of p. 330 and the top of p. 331, beginning, "O God, whose nature," etc.

After the seventh line (p. 22), it inserts "An Evening Prayer" (3); and it inserts on p. 51, B. A., before "Thanksgiving," the Collect from our present Prayer Book entitled "A Collect for Aid against Perils."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HUGH W. SHEFFEY, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Huntington moved to adopt Resolution V. of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, as amended by the Committee of the Whole.

The Rev. Mr. Moffett offered the following amendments to the Form called "The Beatitudes of the Gospel:"—

1. To change the position of the Lord's Prayer, in this Office, from before the Prayers to the beginning of the Office, following immediately the First Rubric.

2. To strike out the response after the Beatitudes, except the eighth, and insert the following:—

"Lord, remember us when Thou comest into Thy kingdom."

3. To insert the Gloria Patri, printed in full, after the response following the eighth Beatitude, and before the words, "Let us pray."

The amendments were not adopted.

P.M.

The following Messages were received:—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 75.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has taken action on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, as follows, to wit:—

In Resolution XII., it has adopted Part (a).

It has adopted Part (b).

It has adopted Part (c), amended by substituting for the proposed Rubric the following, to wit:—

"When more than one celebration of the Holy Communion is had in a Church on the same day, the saying of the Decalogue may be omitted at the earlier service, provided the whole Office be used once on that day. But note, that, whenever the Decalogue is omitted, the *Summary of the Law* shall be used, beginning, *Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.*"

It has adopted Part (d).

It has adopted Part (f), substituting "Praise be to Thee, O Christ," for "Thanks be to Thee, O Lord."

It has adopted Part (g), substituting for the proposed Rubric the following, to wit:—

"Then, unless one of them hath been used immediately before in the Morning Prayer, shall be said or sung the Apostles' Creed, or this," the Nicene Creed being printed in full thereafter.

It has adopted Part (h).

It has adopted Part (i).

It has adopted Part (j).

It has adopted Part (k).

It has adopted Part (l).

It has adopted Part (m), amended by omitting "Trisagion, or."

It has adopted Part (n).

It has adopted Part (o), amended by substituting, for the words "that we, and all others who shall be partakers," the words, "that whosoever shall be partakers;" and retaining the words, "may dwell in them, and they in Him."

It has adopted Part (p).

It has adopted Part (q).

It has adopted Part (r).

It has stricken out Part (s).

It has amended the Second Rubric after the Office, so as to read as follows, viz. :—

"And if any of the consecrated Bread and Wine remain after the Communion, it shall not be carried out of the Church; but the Minister and other Communicants shall, immediately after the Blessing, reverently consume the same."

It has added to the First Rubric, after the Office, the following, viz. : "But *note*, that it shall suffice to say the Decalogue once in the same Church, on any one of these days."

It has adopted Resolution XII. as amended.

In Resolution XVI., it has adopted (a), adding, at the end of the First Rubric, "the people standing to the end of the reading of the Scripture."

It has adopted (b).

It has adopted (c).

It has adopted (d), amended as follows, viz. : the Rubric to read thus :—

"Then shall the Bishop demand, of those who are to be confirmed, these questions following; but he may at his discretion pass to the last one of the said questions," and changing the first Answer to, "I renounce them all," the second Answer to, "I do believe," and the fifth question to, "Do ye then, in the presence of God," etc., omitting "then" when this question only is demanded.

It has adopted (e).

It has adopted (f).

It has adopted (g).

It has amended on p. 291, B. A., by substituting for "The Bishop," the following rubric :—

"Then, the congregation rising and responding, the Bishop shall say ;"

And by inserting, after the Collect "Almighty and ever-living God," the following :—

"Sign them, O Lord, and make them to be Thine forever, by the virtue of Thy holy cross and passion. Confirm and strengthen them with the inward unction of Thy Holy Ghost, mercifully unto everlasting life. *Amen.*"

And by printing "*Amen*" in Italics after the sentence, "Defend, O Lord," etc.

And by inserting after the Second Collect, at the end of the Office, the following :—

"*Or this :*

"Finally, O Lord, we beseech Thee that we, being saved and defended in all dangers, spiritual and bodily, and being kept from all sin and wickedness, and from our spiritual enemy, and from everlasting death, may diligently serve Thee here with a meek and quiet spirit, and receive the inheritance of everlasting rest and peace in Thy Kingdom. To Whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, we ascribe all blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, now and evermore. *Amen.*"

It has adopted Resolution XVI. as amended.

It has inserted before the word "adopted," in each resolution containing more than one section, the word "severally."

In Resolution XVII., it has adopted (a).

It has substituted in the Exhortation on p. 293, B. A., the words "commended in Holy Scripture," for the words "commended of St. Paul."

It has stricken out (b).

It has amended the Rubric on p. 294, B. A., so as to read, —

"Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring, laying it on the Book. And the Minister taking the Ring," etc.

It has adopted Resolution XVII. as amended.

In Resolution XIX., it has adopted (a).

It has adopted (c).

It has appended to the Rubrics on p. 308, B. A., the following:—

"This Office may be used with aged and bedridden persons, or such as are not able to attend the public ministration in Church; substituting the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for the Day, for those appointed as above."

It has adopted Resolution XIX. as amended.

In Resolution XX., it has adopted (a), substituting, after the words "grievous crime," the following, viz.: "or who, not being of unsound mind, have laid violent hands upon themselves."

It has adopted (b).

It has adopted (c), the "*Amen*" being printed in Italics.

It has adopted (d).

It has amended the Rubric, on p. 312, B. A., so as to read thus:—

"Then, while earth shall be cast upon the Body by the Minister, or some one appointed by him, the Minister shall say."

It has adopted (d).

It has adopted (f).

It has adopted (g).

It has adopted Resolution XX. as amended.

It has receded from its action on (i) in Resolution III., p. 10 of the Report, leaving the Rubric as it stands in the printed Report, save as to the substitution of "*De Profundis*" for "*Levavi oculos*."

It concurs with the House of Deputies in its action amending (g) on p. 10 of the Report, so as to except also the nineteenth day of the month, and Ash Wednesday, from the days on which the "*Venite*" is used.

It concurs with the House of Deputies in its action, inserting as the first Sentence in the Evening Prayer, "*The Lord is in His Holy Temple*," etc.

It concurs with the House of Deputies in its action, substituting in (k) on p. 15, and in (n), p. 16, of the Report, the words "may be" for "shall be."

It concurs with the House of Deputies in its action, putting the words "of this State," in the Prayer for All in Civil Authority, on p. 25, B. A., in Italics.

It non-concurs with the House of Deputies in its action on the paragraph under "*Hymns and Anthems*" on p. x., B. A.

It concurs with the House of Deputies in its action refusing to provide for the singing of Hymns in metre instead of Canticles.

It concurs with the House of Deputies in its action inserting in the Morning Prayer, p. 4, B. A., the Alternative Form of Absolution as it was inserted in the Evening Prayer.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 79.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has taken action on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, as follows, viz.:—



In Resolution XIII., it has adopted (a).  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted (c).  
It has adopted Resolution XIII.  
In Resolution XIV., it has adopted (a).  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted (c).  
It has adopted (d).  
It has adopted Resolution XIV.  
In Resolution XV., it has adopted (a).  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted (c).  
It has adopted Resolution XV.  
In Resolution XVIII., it has stricken out (a).  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted (c).  
It has adopted Resolution XVIII.  
It has adopted Resolution XXI.  
It has adopted Resolution XXII., as a whole.  
It has adopted Resolution XXIII., as a whole.  
It has adopted Resolution XXIV. as amended by substituting "duties" for "business" in the last part of the Morning Prayer.  
It has adopted Resolution XXV.  
It has adopted Resolution XXVI.  
In Resolution XXVII., it has adopted (a), with the addition that the Psalter be paged, and with the addition that the Table of Proper Psalms, and the table of Selections of Psalms, may be printed as a separate leaf immediately before the Psalter.  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted Resolution XXVII. as amended.  
It has stricken out Resolution XXIX.  
In Resolution XXX., it has adopted (a).  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted (c).  
It has adopted (d).  
It has adopted (e).  
It has adopted (f).  
It has adopted Resolution XXX. as a whole.  
It has adopted Resolution XXXI.  
In Resolution XXXII., it has adopted (a).  
It has adopted (b).  
It has adopted Resolution XXXII. as a whole.  
In Resolution XXXIII., it has adopted (a), amended so as to instruct the Joint Committee to so arrange the Table of Contents as that it shall evidently appear that the Ordinal and the Articles are distinct books, and to print after the Psalter, in the Table of Contents, a list of what follows, in order.  
It has referred Part (b) to the Joint Committee with power.  
It has referred Part (c) to the Joint Committee with power.  
It has adopted (d).  
It has adopted Resolution XXXIII. as amended.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Committee of the Whole.

On motion, Resolution V., as amended by the Committee, was adopted.

On motion, Resolution VI., as amended by the Committee, was adopted.

Resolution VII. being under consideration, on motion, the words "for our sins," in the third line of the Prayer for Fair Weather (p. 44, B. A.), were restored.

8 P.M.

Resolution VII., Part (b), being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Judd it was

*Resolved*, That the following be placed as a Rubric after the "Prayer for Congress" (p. 37, B. A.):—

*If, during the session of Congress, the Legislature of a State be also in session, there may be added, after the words "in Congress assembled," the words "and for the Legislature of this State now convened." If Congress be not in session, there may be substituted for the words "these United States," the name of the State; and, for the words "Senate and Representatives in Congress assembled," the words "Legislature now convened."*

On motion, Resolution VII., as amended, was adopted.

On motion, the Committee of the Whole was discharged from the consideration of Resolution VIII.

Resolution VIII. being under consideration, the Rev. Dr. Harrison offered the following amendments, which were adopted:—

Page 55, for first Rubric, read:—

*"To be used immediately after the Prayer, "We humbly beseech Thee, O Father," and in place of the Prayers then following."*

Page 55, for third Rubric, read:—

*"The Minister and People, kneeling, shall say, or sing, this Psalm following."*

Page 56, before "As it was," etc., omit "Answer."

Page 56, omit Rubric.

The Rev. Mr. Upjohn offered the following, which was not adopted:—

Substitute for the words, "Send unto them help from above." the following: "Send them help from Thy holy place."

On motion, Resolution VIII. as amended was adopted.

On motion, the Committee of the Whole was discharged from the consideration of Resolution IX.

Resolution IX. being under consideration, the Rev. Mr. Birdsall offered the following, which was not adopted:—

In the second Rubric, strike out the words "certain or all," and insert "one or more."

On motion, Resolution IX. was adopted.

On motion, the Committee of the Whole was discharged from the consideration of Resolution X.

On motion, Resolution X. was adopted.

On motion, the Committee of the Whole was discharged from the consideration of Resolution XI.

Resolution XI. being under consideration, on motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Farrington, Part (b) was amended by substituting the word "after" in place of "before," in the Rubric, after the Collect for the first Sunday in Advent (B. A., p. 68).

On motion, Part (b) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was amended as in Message 51 from the House of Bishops.

On motion, Part (c) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (d) was amended as in Message 51 from the House of Bishops.

On motion, Part (d) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (e) was adopted.

On motion, Part (f) was adopted.

On motion, Part (g) was adopted.

On motion, Part (h) was adopted.

On motion, Part (i) was adopted.

Part (j) being under consideration, the Diocese of Northern New Jersey called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy there were 47 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 38; nays, 4; divided, 5. Of the Laity there were 34 Dioceses represented, — ayes, 32; nays, 2.

#### DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

##### CLERICAL VOTE.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Mr. Beard. — *Aye*.

ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Payne and Battershall. — *Aye*.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Mr. Tupper. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Birdsall and Chetwood. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Brainard and Goodrich. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Mr. Leverett. — *Aye*.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Drs. Beardsley, Harwood, and Giesy, and the Rev. Mr. Fogg. — *Aye*.

EASTON. — The Rev. Drs. Dashiell and Barber, and the Rev. Mr. Hilliard. — *Aye*.

FLORIDA. — The Rev. Dr. Weller, and the Rev. Mr. Thackara. — *Aye*.

- GEORGIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Boone and Pond. — *Aye*.  
 ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Dr. Locke. — *Aye*.  
 IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Messrs. Stilson and Trimble. — *Aye*.  
 KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Mr. Bennett. — *Aye*.  
 KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Mr. Tschiffely. — *Aye*.  
 LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Drowne and Sniveley. — *Aye*.  
 LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Girault and Duncan. — *Aye*.  
 MAINE. — The Rev. Mr. Leffingwell, and the Rev. Dr. Fiske. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Upjohn. — *Nay*.  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Mr. Converse, and the Rev. Drs. Huntington and Brooks. — *Aye*.  
 MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Brewster, and the Rev. Dr. Hall. — *Aye*.  
 MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Hawley, and the Rev. Mr. Gilbert. — *Aye*.  
 MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Mr. Logan. — *Aye*.  
 NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Messrs. Millspaugh and Shaw. — *Aye*.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Messrs. Renouf, Smith, Roberts, and LeRoy. — *Aye*.  
 NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Dr. Langford. — *Aye*.  
 NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Dix, Beach, Hoffman, and Shipman. — *Aye*.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson and Marshall. — *Aye*.  
 OHIO. — The Rev. Dr. Bodine. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Davies and McVickar. — *Aye*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Messrs. Vincent, Carstensen, and Meech. — *Aye*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Henshaw. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Benedict and Bates. — *Aye*.  
 TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Gray, and the Rev. Mr. Sneed. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Fitts. — *Nay*.  
 TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rucker, Bird, and Smith. — *Aye*.  
 VERMONT. — The Rev. Mr. Collins. — *Aye*.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Cobbs, Leavell, and Mason. — *Aye*.  
 The Rev. Mr. Gibson. — *Nay*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Corbett, and the Rev. Mr. Bancroft. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Anstice. — *Aye*.  
 WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Dr. Ashley. — *Aye*.

## LAY VOTE.

- ALABAMA. — Messrs. Buell and Hurd. — *Aye*.  
 ALBANY. — Mr. Forsyth. — *Aye*.  
 ARKANSAS. — Mr. McCracken. — *Aye*.  
 CALIFORNIA. — Mr. Stephens. — *Aye*.  
 CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. McWhorter and Gardner. — *Aye*.  
 CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Mr. Lamberton. — *Aye*.  
 CONNECTICUT. — Mr. Stark. — *Aye*.  
 DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis and Bates. — *Aye*.  
 EASTON. — Messrs. Walker and Adkins. — *Aye*.  
 GEORGIA. — Mr. Whittle. — *Aye*.  
 ILLINOIS. — Mr. Judd. — *Aye*.  
 KENTUCKY. — Mr. Cornwall. — *Aye*.  
 LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. Pierrepont, King, and Nicoll. — *Aye*.  
 MAINE. — Mr. Bridge. — *Aye*.  
 MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, Stewart, and Wilmer. — *Aye*. Mr. Abert. — *Nay*.  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Shattuck and Davis. — *Aye*.  
 MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Baldwin and Minor. — *Aye*.  
 MINNESOTA. — Mr. Wilder. — *Aye*.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Balcom. — *Aye*.  
 NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Wilson and Conover. — *Aye*.  
 NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fish and Nash. — *Aye*.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — Mr. Henderson. — *Aye*.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Meigs, Mills, and Hicks. — *Aye*.  
 OHIO. — Messrs. Devereux and Delano. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Coffin and McMurtrie. — *Aye*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. Hay, Shoenberger, Church, and Smith. — *Aye*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — Mr. Dorrance. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Messrs. Andrews and Stettinius. — *Aye*.  
 TEXAS. — Mr. Richardson. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Mr. Chapin. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Mr. Fisher. — *Aye*.  
 WISCONSIN. — Mr. Reigart. — *Aye*.

### DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

#### CLERICAL VOTE.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Abercrombie and Farrington, and the Rev. Messrs. Stansbury and Moffett. — *Nay*.  
 QUINCY. — The Rev. Mr. Haskins. — *Nay*.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Mr. Taylor. — *Nay*.  
 VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Dr. Peterkin. — *Nay*.

#### LAY VOTE.

SOUTH CAROLINA. — Mr. Smith. — *Nay*.  
 VIRGINIA. — Mr. Sheffey. — *Nay*.

### DIOCESSES DIVIDED.

#### CLERICAL VOTE.

DELAWARE. — The Rev. Mr. Douglass. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Littell. — *Nay*.  
 FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Dafter and Vernor. — *Aye*. The Rev. Messrs. Prescott and Wright. — *Nay*.  
 MARYLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Hutton. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Lewin. — *Nay*.  
 MISSOURI. — The Rev. Mr. Robert. — *Aye*. The Rev. Dr. Fulton. — *Nay*.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Dr. Porter and the Rev. Mr. Johnson. — *Aye*. The Rev. Messrs. McCollough and Capers. — *Nay*.

Part (j) was accordingly adopted.

On motion, Part (k) was amended as in Message 51 from the House of Bishops.

On motion, Part (k) as amended was adopted.

Part (l) being under consideration, the Rev. Dr. Brooks offered the following resolution, which was not adopted : —

*Resolved*, That the Epistle for the First Sunday after Easter close with the words, "the Spirit is truth," in the eighth line.

On motion, Part (l) was adopted.

On motion, Part (m) was adopted.

On motion, Part (n) was amended as Parts (c) and (k).

On motion, Part (n) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (o) was adopted.

Part (p) being under consideration, Mr. Bates moved to amend the Rubric, at the end of the Gospel for the Sunday next before Advent, by inserting after the word "before," in line one, the words, "the Sunday next before."

The motion was adopted.

On motion, Part (p) as amended was adopted.

Part (q) being under consideration, on motion, it was amended to conform it to the date fixed by this House for the Feast of Transfiguration.

On motion, Part (q) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (r) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XI., as amended, was adopted.

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## TWENTY-FIRST DAY.

FRIDAY, October 26, 1883, A.M.

On motion, the Committee of the Whole was discharged from the consideration of Resolution XII.

Resolution XII. being under consideration, on motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

The following Message was received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 20th day of the Session,  
October 25, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 89.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following recommendation of its Committee of Conference, being the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer on the Report of that Committee, to wit: —

To strike out last clause on p. x., B. A., "Hymns and Anthems," and insert after "the same" the words, "and Anthems only in the words of Holy Scripture and the Book of Common Prayer."

On p. 8 of Report, Part (c), to recede from its action, and concur with the House of Deputies in fixing Aug. 6 as the date of the Feast of the Transfiguration.

To insert among the Sentences in Morning Prayer, the following for Ascension Day, viz. "Seeing that we have a great High Priest that is passed



into the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Heb. iv. 14, 16).

And in Evening Prayer the following, viz.: "Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the times, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us" (Heb. ix. 24).

In Report, p. 16 (p), to arrange the Preces as follows, viz.:—

O Lord, save Thy people.

*Answer.* And bless, etc.

Endue Thy Ministers, etc.

*Answer.* And make, etc.

O Lord, save our Rulers.

*Answer.* And mercifully, etc.

Give peace, etc.

*Answer.* For it is Thou alone, etc.

In Resolution V., p. 18, to use the Lord's Prayer before the Beatitudes.

In the Litany, B. A., 34, to add to the Rubric the words, "except when the Litany is used as a separate Service."

In the Report p. 19 (b), to insert the words "fire and flood" after the words "lightning and tempest."

In the Report p. 19 (c), instead of the words "to keep and strengthen him in," to insert "to endue him with wisdom."

On p. 41, B. A., to restore the Title to "For all who are dependent on the Public Care."

On p. 43, B. A., "For Missions," to read "the heralds of the Gospel of Thy Son," and to omit "the Missionaries of Thy Gospel."

On p. 44, B. A., "For Fair Weather," to substitute "chastisements" for "punishments."

To insert the Prayer on p. 330, B. A., before the General Intercession on p. 49, B. A., and to call it "A Prayer for Mercy and Pardon."

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

Mr. Fish offered the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to receive from the Right Rev. Dr. John Williams the legal title to the Book Annexed, of which title the said Dr. Williams is at present the proprietor; and that such title be taken by the said Treasurer, and be held by him and his successors in the office of Treasurer, in trust for the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and subject to the orders of the said Convention, from time to time to be given.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That, until further orders be given, the Treasurer of the General Convention be instructed (when he shall have become legally possessed of the title to the copyright of the Book Annexed) to give permission from time to time, to any one or more of the existing societies for the printing and distributing of the Prayer Book, or to any publisher or publishers, to print and publish the said Book Annexed, on such terms, as to royalty or otherwise, as may be by him agreed to: *Provided*, That, in every such case, satisfactory guaranty be given by the publisher or publishers, that there shall be no abridgment of the Book, and that it shall be paged according to a standard by the said Treasurer to be prescribed; but nothing in this resolution shall be understood to forbid a publisher printing the numbers of the Psalms in the Psalter, in the heavy type commonly employed in the Hymnals.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the said Treasurer be further instructed to secure a copyright to the said Book, with the amendments and alterations which may be made thereto by this Convention, and

be proposed to the several Dioceses; such title to be held, used, disposed of, and controlled, and editions thereof to be printed as above ordered with regard to the Book Annexed.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the said Treasurer cause to be prepared, under his direction, stereotype plates of the said Book (as it shall be prepared by this Convention), which shall correspond in typography and size of page with the Book Annexed, from which plates all editions of the Book shall be printed without alterations; the said plates to be the property of this Convention; and all money received by said Treasurer as royalty or otherwise, over and above expenses, to be subject to the control of the Convention.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretaries of the two Houses, in preparing the Journals for publication, be instructed not to print, as part of such Journals, the Book Annexed to the Report of the Joint Committee, nor the Book as proposed to be amended.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman offered the following amendment, which was, on motion, adopted:—

*Strike out* in the fourth resolution the words, “to be subject to the control of the Convention,” and *insert*, “shall be paid by said Treasurer, until further order of the General Convention, to the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged and Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, for the purposes of the said Fund.”

The resolutions as amended were, on motion, severally adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:—

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That, in the printing of the said Book Annexed, a notice shall be inserted, dividing the portion of the Book amended by the joint action of both Houses, from the portion not so amended, if such portion there be; which notice shall be to this effect, viz., “The following portion of the Book Annexed was not acted upon by both Houses of the General Convention;” and further, that so much of the action of the House of Bishops, already communicated to this House, as concerns the said portion not acted upon by this House, be printed in an Appendix to the said Book.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That an Editing Committee of three, to consist of one from each Order, be appointed to aid the Treasurer of the General Convention in carrying out the provisions of these resolutions.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to omit from the printed Daily Journal the record of the proceedings on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer; and that, in connection with the Secretary of the other House, all such action be printed in a supplemental Journal, and that permission be given to its publication also in pamphlet form, under the direction of the Joint Committee, provided that it be done without expense to the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Rucker, it was

*Resolved*, That this House will not entertain any motion to alter or amend any portions of the Prayer Book, not referred to them for consideration and action by the Committee of Revision, during the remainder of this session of the General Convention.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House, of the Committee to edit the Book Annexed, the Rev. Dr. Huntington and Mr. Fish.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Order of the Day, to wit, the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book.

Resolution XII. being under consideration, on motion, Part (c) was amended as in Message 51 from the House of Bishops.

On motion, Part (c) as amended was adopted.

Part (d) being under consideration, the Rev. Mr. Moffett moved to transfer the "Gloria in Excelsis" from its present position in the Book Annexed, to the position immediately after the Prayer beginning "O Almighty Lord, and Everlasting God;" which motion was not adopted.

On motion, Part (d) was adopted.

On motion, Part (f) was adopted.

Part (g) being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Judd, the amendment proposed in Message 51 from the House of Bishops, amended by striking out the words "or sung," was adopted.

On motion, Part (g) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (h) was adopted.

On motion, Part (i) was adopted.

On motion, Part (j) was adopted.

On motion, Part (k) was adopted.

Part (l) being under consideration, the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie of Northern New Jersey offered the following amendment, viz.: To substitute "on one Lord's Day" in place of "once" in the last line;

which was not adopted.

On motion, Part (l) was adopted.

On motion, Part (m) was amended as in Message 51 from the House of Bishops.

On motion, Part (m) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (n) was adopted.

On motion, Part (o) was amended as in Message 51 from the House of Bishops.

On motion, Part (o) as amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (p) was adopted.

On motion, Part (q) was adopted.

On motion, Part (r) was adopted.

Part (s) being under consideration, on motion, the *Rubrical Note* was stricken out.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Goodwin, the following Rubric was added at the end of the Communion Office : —

*"There shall be no celebration of the Lord's Supper, except there be a convenient number to communicate with the Priest, according to his discretion.*

*"And even though there be not above twenty persons in the Parish of discretion to receive the Communion, yet there shall be no celebration, except three (or two at the least) communicate with the Priest."*

On motion, Resolution XII. as amended was adopted.

P.M.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington offered the following resolutions, which were severally adopted : —

*Resolved*, That the Committee of the Whole be discharged from the further consideration of the Report on the Book Annexed.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the House be tendered to the Hon. Hugh W. Sheffey, for the signal fairness, urbanity, and patience with which he has discharged his duties as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bird, it was

*Resolved*, That this House desires to record its cordial appreciation of the conduct of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, the Secretary of the Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, in the patience, urbanity, industrious skill, and distinguished ability displayed in his unsought leadership of the liturgical discussions during the session now drawing to its close.

The following Message was received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 103.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action communicated in Message No. 83 from that House, on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, with these two exceptions, to wit : —

That this House retains the prayer "For Missions," B. A., p. 43.

And that it places the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Thanksgiving Day, immediately after the Proper Order for Thanksgiving Day, referred to in Part (r) under Resolution XI.

Attest :

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The following Message was received : —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

**MESSAGE No. 104.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the action of that House on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, as communicated in Messages No. 95 and 96 of that House.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received, and, on motion, referred to the Committee of Conference on the Prayer Book: —

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

**MESSAGE No. 105.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution: —

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the five Collects at the close of the Communion Office be placed immediately before the Blessing.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

P.M.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, to wit, the Report of the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book.

Resolution XX. being under consideration, on motion, the word “severally” was inserted before the word “adopted” in the eighth line.

On motion, Part (a) was stricken out.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was adopted.

Part (d) being under consideration, on motion, the amendment contained in Message 75 from the House of Bishops was adopted.

On motion, Part (d) thus amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (e) was adopted

On motion, Part (f) was adopted.

Part (g) being under consideration, on motion, an Alternative Lesson (Rev. xxi.) was added.

On motion, Part (g) thus amended was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XX. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XIII. being under consideration, on motion, the word “severally” was inserted before the word “adopted” in the ninth line.

On motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XIII. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XIV. being under consideration, on motion, the word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the ninth line.

On motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was adopted.

On motion, Part (d) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XIV. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XV. being under consideration, on motion, the word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the ninth line.

On motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XV. as amended was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXV. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXVI. was adopted.

Resolution XXVII. being under consideration, on motion, the word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the seventh line.

On motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXVII. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XVI. being under consideration, on motion, the word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the tenth line.

Part (a) being under consideration, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Faudé, it was amended by adding to the Rubric the words, "the people standing to the end of the Lord's Prayer."

On motion, Part (a) thus amended was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was adopted.

On motion, Part (d) was adopted.

On motion, Part (e) was adopted.

On motion, Part (f) was adopted.

On motion, Part (g) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XVI. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XVII. being under consideration, on motion, the



word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the eighth line.

Part (a) being under consideration, it was, on motion, amended by substituting in the Exhortation the words, "commended in Holy Scripture," for the words "commended of St. Paul."

On motion, Part (a) thus amended was adopted.

Part (b) being under consideration, on motion, the amendment contained in Message 75 from the House of Bishops was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) thus amended was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XVII. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XVIII. being under consideration, on motion, the word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the eighth line.

On motion, Part (a) was adopted.

On motion, Part (b) was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XVIII. as amended was adopted.

Resolution XIX. being under consideration, on motion, the word "severally" was inserted before the word "adopted" in the seventh line.

On motion, Part (a) was adopted.

Part (c) being under consideration, on motion, the additional Rubric contained in Message 75 from the House of Bishops was adopted.

On motion, Part (c) thus amended was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XIX. as amended was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXI. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXII. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXIII. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXIV. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXX. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution XXXI. was adopted.

On motion, Part (a) of Resolution XXXII. was adopted.

The following Message was received :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 112.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in the resolutions contained in Message No. 92 of the House of Deputies, as to securing the title of the "Book Annexed," etc.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary.*

On motion, Part (b) was omitted.

On motion, Resolution XXXII. as amended was adopted.

7 P.M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. McVickar, it was

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, for the admirable and successful prosecution of their work.

The Rev. Dr. Harison, from the Committee of Conference on the differences between the two Houses on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer, presented a Report (see p. 429).

The following Message was received :—

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., 21st day of the Session,  
October 26, 1883.

MESSAGE No. 118.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the recommendations of the Committee of Conference on the differences between the two Houses on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Book of Common Prayer. And the House of Bishops concurs with the House of Deputies in the appointment of a Committee to edit the Book Annexed.

Attest:

WM. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

On motion to concur in the action of the House of Bishops as contained in its Message No. 118, the Lay delegation of the Diocese of Virginia, seconded by the Clerical delegation of the Diocese of Massachusetts, called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy, there were 43 Dioceses represented; ayes, 42; nays, 1. Of the Laity, there were 34 Dioceses represented; ayes, 32; nays, 2.

#### DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

##### CLERICAL VOTE.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Mr. Beard. — *Aye*.

ALBANY. — The Rev. Dr. Battershall. — *Aye*.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Tupper and Stout. — *Aye*.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Birdsall and Chetwood, and the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie. — *Aye*. The Rev. Mr. Spalding. — *Nay*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Brainard and Goodrich. — *Aye*.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Leverett and Jones, and the Rev. Drs. Knight and Orrick. — *Aye*.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Drs. Beardsley, Harwood, and Giesy, and the Rev. Mr. Fogg. — *Aye*.

DELAWARE. — The Rev. Messrs. Douglass, Littell, and Gordon. — *Aye*.

EASTON. — The Rev. Drs. Dashiell and Barber, and the Rev. Mr. Hilliard. — *Aye*.

- FLORIDA. — The Rev. Drs. Weller and Carter, and the Rev. Mr. Thackara. — *Aye.*  
 FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Messrs. Vernor and Wright. — *Aye.*  
 GEORGIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Boone and Pond. — *Aye.*  
 ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Mr. Sweet. — *Aye.*  
 INDIANA. — The Rev. Mr. Faudé. — *Aye.*  
 IOWA. — The Rev. Dr. Ringgold, and the Rev. Mr. Trimble. — *Aye.*  
 KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Mr. Bennett. — *Aye.*  
 LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Schenck, Drowne, and Snively. — *Aye.*  
 LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Girault and Duncan. — *Aye.*  
 MAINE. — The Rev. Mr. Upjohn, and the Rev. Dr. Fiske. — *Aye.*  
 MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Hutton, Elliott, Leeds, and Lewin. — *Aye.*  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Mr. Converse, and the Rev. Dr. Hunting-  
 ton. — *Aye.*  
 MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Brewster, and the Rev. Dr. Hall. — *Aye.*  
 MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Hawley, and the Rev. Mr. Gilbert. — *Aye.*  
 MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Sansom, and the Rev. Mr. Logan. — *Aye.*  
 MISSOURI. — The Rev. Mr. Talbot. — *Aye.*  
 NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Messrs. Millspaugh and Shaw. — *Aye.*  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Messrs. Renouf, Smith, and Le Roy. — *Aye.*  
 NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Garrison and Langford. — *Aye.*  
 NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Hoffman. — *Aye.*  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Watson and Marshall. — *Aye.*  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie. — *Aye.*  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. Goodwin, Davies, and McVickar. —  
*Aye.*  
 PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Mr. Vincent. — *Aye.*  
 QUINCY. — The Rev. Messrs. Shrimpton and Haskins. — *Aye.*  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Messrs. McCollough, Capers, and Johnson,  
 and the Rev. Dr. Porter. — *Aye.*  
 SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Mr. Taylor. — *Aye.*  
 TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Gray, and the Rev. Messrs. Fitts and Sneed.  
 — *Aye.*  
 TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Rucker, Bird, and Smith. — *Aye.*  
 VERMONT. — The Rev. Mr. Collins. — *Aye.*  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Mr. Gibson. — *Aye.*  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Corbett, and the Rev. Messrs. Cook  
 and Bancroft. — *Aye.*  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Anstice and Rankine. — *Aye.*

## LAY VOTE.

- ALABAMA. — Messrs. Nelson, Buell, and Hurd. — *Aye.*  
 ALBANY. — Mr. Forsyth. — *Aye.*  
 ARKANSAS. — Mr. McCracken. — *Aye.*  
 CALIFORNIA. — Mr. Stephens. — *Aye.*  
 CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. McWhorter and Gardner. — *Aye.*  
 CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Mr. Lamberton. — *Aye.*  
 CONNECTICUT. — Mr. Stark. — *Aye.*  
 DELAWARE. — Messrs. Curtis, Bates, and Burr. — *Aye.*  
 EASTON. — Mr. Walker. — *Aye.*  
 FLORIDA. — Mr. Dotterer. — *Aye.*  
 ILLINOIS. — Mr. Judd. — *Aye.*  
 INDIANA. — Mr. Kiersted. — *Aye.*  
 KENTUCKY. — Mr. Cornwall. — *Aye.*  
 LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. Pierrepont and Nicoll. — *Aye.*  
 MARYLAND. — Messrs. Johnson, Abert, Stewart, and Wilmer. — *Aye.*  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Shattuck and Davis. — *Aye.*  
 MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Baldwin and Minor. — *Aye.*

MINNESOTA. — Mr. Dawson. — *Aye*.  
 MISSOURI. — Mr. Lycett. — *Aye*.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Mr. Balcom. — *Aye*.  
 NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Wilson, Pugh, and Conover. — *Aye*.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — Mr. Henderson. — *Aye*.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Meigs and Mills. — *Aye*.  
 OHIO. — Messrs. Devereux and Delano. — *Aye*.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Coffin, McMurtrie, and Merrick. — *Aye*.  
 PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. Hay, Schoenberger, Church, and Smith. — *Aye*.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — Mr. Dorrance. — *Aye*.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Mr. Andrews. — *Aye*.  
 VIRGINIA. — Mr. Sheffey. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Chapin and Robinson. — *Aye*.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Messrs. Fisher and Macomb. — *Aye*.  
 WISCONSIN. — Mr. Reigart. — *Aye*.

### DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

#### CLERICAL VOTE.

VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Dr. Peterkin. — *Nay*.

#### LAY VOTE.

GEORGIA. — Mr. Whittle. — *Nay*.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — Mr. Smith. — *Nay*.

The motion accordingly prevailed by a constitutional majority of Dioceses and Orders.

On motion of Mr. Sheffey, it was

*Resolved*, That any clerical errors or manifest inaccuracies, if any, in the Report of the Committee of Conference, between the two Houses as agreed to this day, may be hereafter corrected by the Editing Committee.

E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY,

*President.*

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

*Secretary.*

REPORT  
OF THE  
JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER,  
APPOINTED BY THE  
GENERAL CONVENTION OF MDCCCLXXX.

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RESOLUTION OF 1880.

*Resolved*, That a Joint Committee, to consist of seven Bishops, seven Presbyters, and seven Laymen, be appointed, to consider, and to report to the next General Convention, whether, in view of the fact that this Church is soon to enter upon the second century of its organized existence in this country, the changed conditions of the national life do not demand certain alterations in the Book of Common Prayer in the direction of liturgical enrichment and increased flexibility of use.

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REPORT.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

The Joint Committee of twenty-one, appointed by the General Convention of 1880 to consider and to report, whether the changed conditions of the national life do not demand "certain alterations in the Book of Common Prayer, in the direction of liturgical enrichment and increased flexibility of use," respectfully ask leave to report as follows :—

In accordance with a resolution of the General Convention which recommends all Committees appointed to sit during the recess to meet, for the purpose of organizing, immediately after the close of the session; the Committee came together on the evening of Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of October, 1880, and was organized by the appointment of the Bishop of Connecticut as

Chairman, and of Dr. Huntington of Massachusetts as Secretary. Later it was agreed that the official title of the Committee should be THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

In addition to the first meeting for organization, three groups of sessions have been held during the recess, — one of them in January, 1881, another in October, 1882, and another in April, 1883. All of these were convened in the city of New York, and were very fully attended.

In the death of the Rev. Dr. Dalrymple of Maryland, which occurred in October, 1881, the Committee lost the services of an accomplished member, whose active participation in the work of the first meeting had given promise of much usefulness. His place has remained unfilled.

Early in 1881 the work of review was distributed among three sub-committees; and, at the same time, the following resolutions were adopted: —

(a) "*Resolved*, That this Committee asserts, at the outset, its conviction that no alteration should be made touching either statements or standards of doctrine in the Book of Common Prayer.

(b) "*Resolved*, That this Committee, in all its suggestions and acts, be guided by those principles of liturgical construction and ritual use which have guided the compilation and amendments of the Book of Common Prayer, and have made it what it is."

Mindful of the rule of action laid down for them in the resolution under which they were appointed, — namely, that they were to consider the desirableness "of certain alterations in the Book of Common Prayer in the direction of liturgical enrichment and flexibility of use," — the Committee also governed themselves by these two resolutions, believing that in no other way could they hope to reach any result that would or ought to be acceptable to this Church.

Whether any such result has, in whole or in part, been reached, remains, of course, to be seen. The Committee only claim for themselves, that they have not spared time, labour, or study in prosecuting the work committed to them, nor have they failed to seek the guidance of the heavenly Wisdom.

Their object has been to search for what seemed necessary or desirable in the way of additions among the rich stores of devotional forms, which are the common heritage of the Catholic Church, rather than to undertake new compositions of their own.



Among the later sources which have thus been drawn upon, they feel bound to mention, especially, Canon Bright's Ancient Collects, and the Daily Service of our own lamented Hutton.

It should be understood that no member of the Committee is, by his signature to this Report, committed unreservedly to every addition or change proposed; but each reserves to himself the privilege of taking such action in respect thereto in Convention as, upon debate and fuller consideration, he may think proper.

Without further preface, then, and without entering into lengthened details which must all be gone over again in the discussions of the Convention, the Committee submit the following as the additions and changes which they respectfully propose for adoption. It will be seen that they are classified and arranged with references, for the sake of convenience, to the Book which is annexed as a schedule to this Report, and which the Committee venture to hope will not only serve the purpose just mentioned, but will also show (as their long list of alterations and additions, if reported alone, would not do) how little real change is proposed in the structure, arrangement, appearance, or even size, of our cherished Book of Common Prayer.

The Committee recommend that the changes embodied in the following resolutions be approved, and made known to the various Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted hereafter, in the manner provided by the Constitution.

\*.\* Throughout this Report, S.P.B. signifies the Standard Prayer Book of 1871. B.A. signifies the Book Annexed.

#### RESOLUTION I.

S. P. B.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in connection with

#### THE TITLE-PAGE

of the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

S. P. B. (a) Omit from the title-page the words, "together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David," putting a full stop after the word AMERICA.

(b) On the first page of the leaf preceding the title-page, print the general title,

## The Book of Common Prayer.\*

### RESOLUTION II.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

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#### THE INTRODUCTORY PORTION

of the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

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(a) Conform the entries in the *Table of Contents* to the actual contents, as the same shall be finally determined.

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(b) Substitute for *The Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read*, and for *The Order how the rest of the Holy Scripture is appointed to be read*, the general order *Concerning the Service of the Church*, including an enlarged *Table of Proper Psalms* and a *Table of Selections of Psalms*, as shown in B. A., pp. ix, x.

(c) Add to the *Calendar* a Feast to be entitled, *The Transfiguration of Christ*, and assign the same to the eighteenth day of January.

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(d) Substitute for the present *Lectionary* the *Lectionary* contained in B. A., pp. xi-xix.†

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(e) After the first paragraph of *Rules to know when the Movable Feasts and Holy-days begin*, insert as follows:—

But *Note* that the Full Moon, for the purposes of these Rules and Tables, is the Fourteenth Day of a Lunar Month, reckoned

\* In some editions this has been already done without authority.

† With the addition of Lessons for the Transfiguration, this is identical with the *Lectionary* recommended by the Joint Committee on the Revision of the *Lectionary*.

according to an ancient Ecclesiastical computation, and not the real or Astronomical Full Moon. S. P. B.

(f) Insert in *The Table of Feasts*, after the words, *The Epiphany*, the words, *The Transfiguration of Christ*, and after the words *St. Barnabas*, the words *the Apostle*. p. xvi

(g) Substitute for the present eight Tables for finding Easter-day, the Dominical Letter, etc., the six Tables given in B. A., pp. xxi-xxiv. pp. xvii-xx

### RESOLUTION III.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE ORDER FOR

#### DAILY MORNING PRAYER,

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and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) Alter the first rubric so that it shall read:—

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† *The Minister shall begin the MORNING PRAYER by reading one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture; and then he shall say that which is written after them; save that on Christmas-day, Easter-day, and Whitsun-day, and on any day not a Lord's Day, he may omit the Exhortation, and proceed to bid the People to prayer at the Confession, or, except on days of fasting and abstinence, at the Lord's Prayer.*

(b) Omit from the opening Sentences the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th and 14th,\* and insert the following, — *Ps. cxxii. 1; Phil. i. 2; Isai. xl. 3; St. Luke ii. 10, 11; Isai. lii. 1; Lam. i. 12; Ps. cxviii. 24; and portions of St. Mark xvi. 6; St. Luke xxiv. 34; St. John iv. 23; Rev. iv. 8.* — The same to be arranged, spaced, and rubricated, as shown in B. A., pp. 1, 2. pp. 1, 2

(c) Omit the rubric that follows the opening sentences.

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(d) Substitute *with* for *after*, in the rubric before the *General Confession*.

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\* These omitted sentences are all retained at the beginning of *The Order for Daily Evening Prayer*. See B. A., pp. 15, 16.

- S. P. B. (e) Substitute for the present alternative *Declaration of Absolution*, the form inserted in B. A., p. 4.
- p. 4 (f) Alter the Rubric before the *Lord's Prayer*, so that it shall read : —
- p. 4 ¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer ; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him, both here, and wheresoever else it is in this Book appointed to be used, save at beginning of the Communion Office.*
- p. 4 (g) Alter the rubric before the *Venite*, so that it shall read : —
- p. 4 ¶ *Then shall be sung or said this Psalm following ; except on the Feasts for which Proper Anthems are appointed, and on the six days next before Easter.*
- p. 4 ¶ *But Note, That, save on the Sundays in Lent, the latter portion of the Venite may be omitted.*
- pp. 4, 5 (h) Omit from the *Venite* the two verses taken from *Psalm xcvi.* ; leave an open space, and append the last four verses of *Psalm xcv.*
- p. 5 (i) Change the rubric following the *Venite*, so that it shall read : —
- p. 5 ¶ *Then shall follow a Portion of the Psalms, as they are appointed, or one of the Selections of Psalms. And at the end of every Psalm, and likewise at the end of the Venite, Benedictus es Domine, Benedicite, Benedictus, Jubilate, Levavi oculos, may be, and at the end of the whole Portion or Selection from the Psalter, shall be said or sung the Gloria Patri.*
- pp. 5, 6 (j) Omit the *Gloria in Excelsis*.\*
- p. 7 (k) In the *Note* prefixed to the *Te Deum laudamus*, insert after the word *Minister* the words *or he that readeth*.
- p. 7 (l) Insert between the *Te Deum* and the *Benedicite*, as an alternative canticle, the *Benedictus es Domine*, as printed, with the rubric prefixed, in B. A., p. 7.
- p. 9 (m) For the second rubric after the *Benedicite* substitute the following : —
- p. 9 ¶ *And after that, the Hymn following : but Note, That, save on the Sundays in Advent, the latter portion thereof may be omitted.*
- p. 9 (mm) In the rubric before the *Benedictus*, insert after the words *after that* the words *shall be sung or said*.
- p. 9 (n) Insert the hitherto omitted portion of the *Bene-*

\* Transferred to the corresponding position in the Orde for Evening Prayer.

*dictus*, leaving an open space between the first four and the last eight verses of the hymn. S. P. B.

(o) Print in double columns, as alternatives to the *Benedictus*, the Psalms *Jubilate Deo* and *Levavi oculos*, prefixing to each the rubric : — p. 9

† Or this Psalm.

(p) Change the wording of the rubric prefixed to the Apostles' Creed, so that it shall read : — p. 10

† Then shall be said, by the Minister and People standing, the Apostles' Creed; or else that commonly called the Nicene Creed, as it is set forth in the Communion Office. And any Churches may omit the words, He descended into hell, or may, instead of them, use the words, He went into the place of departed spirits, which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed.

(q) Insert the word *again* after the word *rose* in the Apostles' Creed, both here, and wherever else the Creed is printed in the Prayer-Book. p. 10

(r) Omit the rubric after the Apostles' Creed, together with the Creed that follows it.\*

(s) After the *Collect for Grace* insert the following rubrics : — p. 12

† In places where it may be convenient, here followeth the Anthem.

† The following Prayers are to be omitted here, when the Litany is said; and Note, That, save on the Lord's Day, the Minister may here end the Morning Order with such Prayer or Prayers taken out of this Book as he shall think proper.

(t) Omit the rubric after the Prayer for the President of the United States.† p. 12

(u) Insert in *The Prayer for All Conditions of Men*, after the words *body, or estate*, the words, *especially those for whom our prayers are desired*, — the same to be printed in italics, bracketed, and given a mark of reference to a marginal note, \**This to be said when any desire the Prayers of the Congregation*, as shown in B. A., p. 14. p. 13

(v) Insert in the *General Thanksgiving*, after the words to all men, the words *particularly to those who desire now* p. 13

\* The Nicene Creed will be found printed in *The Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper*. B. A., p. 249

† A special suffrage for the President of the United States will be found in the *Litany*. B. A., p. 32.

S. P. B. *to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them, — the same to be printed in italics, bracketed, and given a mark of reference to a marginal note, \* This to be said when any desire to return thanks for mercies vouchsafed to them, as shown in B. A., p. 14.*

#### RESOLUTION IV.

*Resolved:* The House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE ORDER FOR

#### DAILY EVENING PRAYER,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 14

(a) Substitute the following rubric for the one that immediately precedes the opening *Sentences*: —

† *The Minister shall begin the Evening Prayer by reading one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture, and then he shall say that which is written after them. But on days other than the Lord's Day, he may, at his discretion, pass at once from the Sentences to the Lord's Prayer.*

pp. 14,  
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(b) Omit from the opening *Sentences* the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 9th, 11th, 12th and 13th, and add thereto *Ps. xxvi. 8; cxli. 2; xcvi. 9; St. Mark xiii. 35, 36; Rev. xxi. 3; Isai. ii. 5, 3; Col. iii. 1; Rev. xxii. 17; Ps. xliii. 3; Isai. vi. 3*; the same to be arranged, spaced and rubricated as shown in B. A., pp. 15, 16, 17.

p. 15

(c) Substitute the following for the rubric before the *General Exhortation*.

**L**ET us humbly confess our sins before Almighty God:—

† *Or else he shall say as followeth.*

p. 16

(d) In the rubric before the *General Confession*, substitute the word “with” for the word “after,” and add as an alternative *Confession* the Form so placed in B. A., p. 18.



(e) Print *Amen* at the end of the *Declaration of Absolution*; and omit the rubric that immediately follows said Absolution. S. P. B. p. 16

(f) Substitute for the present alternative *Declaration of Absolution* the one inserted at this point in B. A., p. 19. p. 17

(g) Change the rubric before the Lord's Prayer so that it shall read : — p. 18

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him.*

(h) Insert immediately after the words, p. 18

*Answer, The Lord's Name be praised.*

the *Gloria in Excelsis*, preceded by the following rubric : —

¶ *Then shall follow a Portion of the Psalms, as they are appointed, or one of the Selections, as they are set forth by this Church. And at the end of every Psalm, and likewise at the end of the Magnificat. Cantate Domino, Bonum est confiteri, Nunc dimittis, Deus misereatur, Benedic, anima mea, — may be sung or said the Gloria Patri; and at the end of the whole Portion or Selection of Psalms for the day, shall be sung or said the Gloria Patri, or else the Gloria in excelsis, as followeth.*

(i) Insert immediately before the *Cantate Domino*, the Hymn called *Magnificat*, preceded by the following rubric : — p. 19

¶ *After which shall be sung or said the Hymn called Magnificat, as followeth.*

And followed by this rubric, in place of the present one : —

¶ *Or this Psalm, except when it is read in the ordinary course of the Psalms, on the nineteenth day of the month.*

All as shown in B. A., pp. 20, 21, 22.

(j) Put the rubric, p. 19

¶ *Or this Psalm,*

before the *Bonum est confiteri*, and print the latter in double columns with the *Cantate Domino*.

(k) Insert immediately after the *Bonum est confiteri*, the following note : — p. 19

*Note, That, on Ash Wednesday, instead of the Magnificat, or Cantate Domino, or Bonum est confiteri, there shall be said, and on other days in Lent there may be said, Psalm xlii. Quemadmodum.*

- S. P. B. (l) Insert immediately after the second rubric on p. 19,  
 p. 19 the Hymn called *Nunc Dimittis*, preceded by the rubric: —  
 ¶ *And after that, shall be sung or said the Hymn called Nunc dimittis, as followeth.*  
 and followed by the rubric: —  
 ¶ *Or else this Psalm ; except it be on the twelfth day of the month.*  
 instead of that at present prefixed to the *Deus misereatur*.
- p. 20 (m) Print the *Benedic, anima mea* in double columns  
 with the *Deus misereatur*.
- p. 20 (n) Insert immediately after the *Benedic, anima mea*,  
 the following note and rubric: —  
*Note, That on Ash Wednesday, instead of Nunc dimittis, or Deus misereatur, or Benedic, anima mea, there shall be said, and on the other days of Lent there may be said, Psalm xliii. ; Judica me, Deus.*  
 ¶ *Then shall be said, by the Minister and People standing, the Apostles' Creed ; or else that commonly called the Nicene Creed, as it is set forth in the Communion Office. And any Churches may omit the words, He descended into hell, or may, instead of them, use the words, He went into the place of departed spirits, which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed.*
- p. 20 (o) After the *Apostles' Creed* omit the rubric: —  
 ¶ *Or this,*  
 and the *Creed* that follows it.
- p. 21 (p) After the rubric that follows the *Creed*, insert  
 between the words,  
 “*And grant us thy salvation,*”  
 and the words,  
 Minister, O God, make clean, etc.,  
 eight additional versicles, to wit: —  
*Minister.* O Lord, save our Rulers.  
*Answer.* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
*Minister.* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
*Answer.* And make thy chosen people joyful.  
*Minister.* O Lord, save thy people.  
*Answer.* And bless thine inheritance.  
*Minister.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
*Answer.* For it is thou alone that makest wars to cease in all the world.
- p. 22 (q) Substitute for the first clause of the *Collect for Aid against Perils*, the words,  
 Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and

And insert the following rubrics immediately after the said Collect:—

- ¶ *In places where it may be convenient, here followeth the Anthem.*  
 ¶ *Save on the Lord's Day, the Minister may here end the Evening Prayer with such Prayer, or Prayers, taken out of this Book, as he shall think fit.*

(r) Substitute for the present Prayer for the President of the United States the one printed in B. A., p. 25. p. 22

(s) Make the same changes in the *Prayer for all Conditions of Men*, and the *General Thanksgiving*, as have been proposed above in connection with these Prayers in the Morning Order. See B. A., p. 26. p. 23

(t) Substitute for *A Prayer of St. Chrysostom, The Prayer for God's Guidance and Defence*, as shown in B. A., p. 27. p. 24

#### RESOLUTION V.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the Form of Prayer contained in the Book Annexed (pp. 28, 29), entitled

#### THE BEATITUDES OF THE GOSPEL,

be added to the Book of Common Prayer, to be placed immediately after *The Order for Daily Evening Prayer*, and that this proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

#### RESOLUTION VI.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE LITANY,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

- S. P. B. (a) Substitute for the rubric prefixed to *The Litany*,  
 p. 24 the following rubrics : —

¶ *To be said or sung on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and on the Rogation Days, after the third Collect at Morning or Evening Prayer, or before the Administration of the Holy Communion ; or as a separate Service.*

¶ *To be used also on any day in Lent, at the discretion of the Minister.*

Note, That the LITANY may be omitted altogether on *Christmas-day, Easter-day, and Whitsun-day.*

- p. 25 (b) Insert the word “ fire ” before the words “ lightning and tempest.”

- p. 26 (c) Insert after the first of the Intercessions the following Suffrage for the President of the United States :

That it may please thee with thy favour to behold and bless thy servant THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; and to keep and strengthen him in true righteousness and holiness of life;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

- p. 26 (d) Insert against the intercession for *Bishops, Priests and Deacons*, a side rubric showing where to introduce the proper suffrage at Ordinations.

- p. 28 (e) Insert immediately after the words,

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;  
*Have mercy upon us,*

the following, in place of what at present occupies the space between the said words and the rubric preceding the Lord's Prayer : —

O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us;

*Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.*

¶ *The Minister may, at his discretion, omit all that followeth, to the Prayer, “ We humbly beseech thee, O Father,” etc.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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#### RESOLUTION VII.

*Resolved* : the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in the portion of the Book of Common Prayer entitled

# PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS UPON SEVERAL S. P. B OCCASIONS,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) Omit the rubric immediately after the title, and insert after the word *Prayers*, the following rubric: — p. 31

¶ *To be used before the General Thanksgiving at Morning and Evening Service; or else before the two final Prayers, if the Office be one in which the General Thanksgiving hath not its usual place.*

(b) Transfer the *Prayer to be used at Meetings of Convention*, to a place immediately after the *Prayer for Congress*; omit the word “present,” in the 5th and 10th lines; and alter the rubric appended to it, so that it shall read: — p. 36

¶ *During the period of the session of any General or Diocesan Convention, the above Prayer may be used by all Congregations of this Church, or of the Diocese concerned; the clause “here assembled” being changed to “now assembled,” and the clause “govern us in our work,” to “govern them in their work.”*

(c) Introduce among the *Prayers* those printed in B. A. under the following titles, arranging them in the order there observed. pp. 31-40

*For a Person, or Persons, on a Journey*, B. A., p. 40.

*For Young Persons preparing for Confirmation*, B. A., p. 40.

*For all who are dependent on the Public Care*, B. A., p. 41.

*For Missions*, B. A., p. 43.

*For the Increase of the Ministry*, B. A., p. 43.

*For Fruitful Seasons* (1).

¶ *To be used on Rogation Sunday, and on the Rogation-days*, B. A., p. 43.

¶ *Or this.*

*For Fruitful Seasons* (2), p. 44.

*In the Vacancy of a Cure of Souls*, p. 46.

S. P. B. (d) Add to the ~~Prayers~~ the following, placing before  
p. 37 them this rubric:—

¶ *These Prayers and Collects following may be said after the Collects of Morning and Evening Prayer, and at other fit times, at the discretion of the Minister.*

*For a Blessing upon Instruction, B. A., p. 46.*

*For Grace and Governance, B. A., p. 46.*

*For God's Compassion upon our Infirmities, B. A., p. 46.*

*For an Answer to our Prayers, B. A., p. 47.*

*For the Spirit of Prayer, B. A., p. 47.*

*For the Light of God's Truth, B. A., p. 47.*

*For the Renewing of the Holy Ghost, B. A., p. 47.*

*For Patience under Suffering, B. A., p. 48.*

*For Grace to Speak the Truth in Love, B. A., p. 48.*

*An Intercession for those who labour in the Gospel, B. A., p. 48.*

*An Intercession for those who err from the Faith, B. A., p. 48.*

*An Intercession for those who live in sin, B. A., p. 49.*

*A General Intercession, B. A., p. 49.*

*A Morning Prayer (1), B. A., p. 50.*

*A Morning Prayer (2), B. A., p. 50.*

*An Evening Prayer (1), B. A., p. 50.*

*An Evening Prayer (2), B. A., p. 50.*

p. 37 (e) Insert after the word

### Thanksgivings.

the following rubric:—

¶ *To be used after the General Thanksgiving, at Morning and Evening Service; or else before the two final Prayers, if the Office be one in which the General Thanksgiving hath not its usual place.*

(f) Insert the two Thanksgivings printed in B. A., under the following titles:—

*For a Child's Recovery from Sickness, B. A., page 52.*

*For an Escape from Accident, B. A., p. 52.*

(g) Arrange the various Thanksgivings according to the order followed in B. A., pp. 51–54.



## RESOLUTION VIII.

S. P. B.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the *Form of Prayer* contained in the *Book Annexed* (pp. 55-58), entitled

A PENITENTIAL OFFICE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY,  
be added to the Book of Common Prayer, to be placed after the *Prayers and Thanksgivings upon several occasions*, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

## RESOLUTION IX.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the Form of Prayer contained in the *Book Annexed* (pp. 58-64) entitled

THE PROPER ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER

ON

THANKSGIVING-DAY,

OTHERWISE NAMED

HARVEST-HOME,

be added to the Book of Common Prayer, to be placed next after *A Penitential Office for Ash Wednesday*, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

## RESOLUTION X.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the Form of Prayer contained in the *Book Annexed* (pp. 65-67), entitled

A SHORT OFFICE OF PRAYER FOR SUNDRY OCCASIONS,

be added to the Book of Common Prayer, to be placed

S. P. B. next after *The Proper Order for Morning Prayer on Thanksgiving-day*, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

#### RESOLUTION XI.

*Resolved*: the House of Bishops [*or Deputies*] concurring, That the following changes and additions be made in connection with

#### THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS, TO BE USED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR,

and that the proposed changes and additions be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 40 (a) Insert after the general title, the following rubric:—

¶ *The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, appointed for the Sunday, shall serve all the Week after, where it is not in this Book otherwise ordered.*

p. 40 (b) In the rubric following *The Collect for The First Sunday in Advent*, change the word *with* to *before*.

pp. 46, 48 (c) Between the title *Christmas-day* and *The Collect*, insert under the sub-title *At the First Communion*, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, printed in the B. A., pp. 74, 75; and place after the said Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, the words, *At the Second Communion*.

pp. 174 -179 (d) Insert immediately after the Gospel for *Christmas-day*, the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels, for *St. Stephen's Day*, *St. John the Evangelist's Day*, *The Innocents' Day*, omitting them from their present place, and putting after the Gospel for the *Innocents' Day* the following rubric:—

¶ *If there be any more days before the Sunday after Christmas-day, The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Christmas-day shall serve for them.*

(e) Insert after *The Gospel* for *The Epiphany*, this rubric: — S. P. B.  
p. 53

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after, unto the next Sunday.*

(f) Add to the rubric after *The Collect* for *Ash Wednesday*, the following words, *until the Sunday before Easter*. p. 68

(g) Omit the second rubric after *The Collect* for *Ash Wednesday*, and the prayers that follow it. p. 69

(h) Insert after *The Gospel* for *Ash Wednesday*, the following rubric: — p. 71

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after unto the next Sunday, except upon the Feast of St. Matthias.*

(i) Insert after *The Collect* for *The Sunday next before Easter*, the following rubric: — p. 80

¶ *This Collect shall be said continually, after the Collect for the day, until Good Friday.*

(j) Insert before the Epistles for the respective days the Collects assigned in the Book Annexed to the *Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before Easter*. pp. 83-102

(k) After the title *Easter-day* omit the rubric and Anthems,\* and insert under the sub-title *At the First Communion*, the Collect, Epistle and Gospel printed in the B. A., pp. 144-5, and place after the said Collect, Epistle and Gospel the words, *At the Second Communion*. p. 109

(l) After the titles *Monday in Easter-week* and *Tuesday in Easter-week*, substitute for the present *Collect*, the Collects respectively assigned to the said days in the B. A. pp. 111, 114

(m) After *The Gospel* for *The Ascension Day*, insert the following rubric: — p. 124

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after unto the next Sunday, except upon the Feast of St. Philip and St. James.*

(n) Between the title *Whitsun-day* and *The Collect*, insert, under the sub-title, *At the First Communion*, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel printed in the B. A., pp. p. 126

\* The Easter Anthems will be found in B. A., under the heading *Proper Anthems*, immediately before the Psalter.

S. P. B. 162-3 ; and place after the said Collect, Epistle and Gospel the words, *At the Second Communion.*

pp. 128, 130 (o) After the titles *Monday in Whitsun-week* and *Tuesday in Whitsun-week*, substitute for the present *Collects* the Collects respectively assigned to the said days in the B. A.

p. 170 (p) Substitute for the title *The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity*, the title, *The Sunday next before Advent.*

p. 179 (q) Insert between *The Gospel for St. Thomas's Day* and *The Collect for The Conversion of St. Paul*, the *Collect, Epistle and Gospel for The Transfiguration of Christ*, B.A., pp. 213-15.

p. 207 (r) Insert after *The Gospel for All Saints' Day*, *The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Thanksgiving-day.*

#### RESOLUTION XII.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or Deputies*] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE ORDER FOR THE

pp. 208 ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER,

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#### OR

#### HOLY COMMUNION,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 208 (a) In the last two lines of the second rubric, for the words that follow the word *ordinary*, substitute the words *within fourteen days after, at the farthest.*

p. 208 (b) Omit the doxology from the Lord's Prayer.

p. 209 (c) Omit from the rubric immediately before the Decalogue the words *as followeth*, and add the following rubric :—

¶ *When more than one Celebration of the Holy Communion is had in a Church on the same day, the saying of the Decalogue may be omitted, provided the whole Office have been previously used on that day. But, Note, That whenever the Decalogue is omitted, the Summary of the Law shall be used, beginning, Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.*

(d) In the rubric after the Prayer beginning, "O Almighty Lord, and everlasting God," etc., substitute for the words, *Then shall he read the Gospel (the People all standing up)*, saying, the words, *Then, the People all standing up, he shall read the Gospel, saying.* S. P. B.  
p. 211

For the rubric,

¶ *Here the people shall say,*

substitute the rubric,

¶ *Here shall be said or sung.*

p. 211

(f) After "Glory be to thee, O Lord," insert

¶ *And after the Gospel.*

Thanks be to thee, O Lord.

p. 211

(g) For the rubric ¶ *Then shall be read the Apostles', or Nicene Creed, etc.*, substitute the following rubric, placing after it the *Nicene Creed*. p. 211

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Apostles' or the Nicene Creed; unless one of them hath been used immediately before in the Morning Prayer: Provided that the Nicene Creed, as here followeth, shall be said or sung on Christmas-day, Easter-day, Ascension-day, Whitsun-day and Trinity Sunday.*

(h) Add to the rubric before the Offertory Sentences, the words *And Note, that these Sentences may be used on any other occasion of Public Worship, when the alms of the People are to be received.* p. 211

(i) Add to the Offertory Sentences certain portions of 1 Chron. xxix. 11, 12, 14. B. A. p. 252. p. 213

(j) Add to the rubric which follows the Offertory Sentences these words: *And when the Alms are presented, there may be sung or said an Offertory Anthem.* p. 213

(k) Transfer the rubric which follows *The Prayer for the Church Militant*, together with the two exhortations beginning respectively, "Dearly beloved, on — day next I purpose," and "Dearly beloved brethren, on — I intend," to a place at the end of the Office, B. A., p. 263. pp. 215  
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(l) Add to the rubric before the Exhortation, beginning "Dearly beloved in the Lord, ye who mind, etc.," the p. 218

S. P. B. words, *But, Note, That the Exhortation may be omitted if it hath been already said once in that same month.*

p. 221 (m) Make the Triumphal Hymn, commonly called the "Trisagion," or "Tersanctus," a distinct paragraph, omitting the words *and People* from the preceding rubric, and adding a side-rubric :

¶ *Priest and People*, B. A., p. 257.

p. 224 (n) Make the *Invocation* in *The Prayer of Consecration* a distinct paragraph, as is now done in the case of the *Oblation*. B. A., p. 260.

p. 224 (o) In the Prayer of Consecration, change the words "may dwell in them, and they in him," to "may dwell in us, and we in him."

p. 225 (p) Change the rubric after *The Prayer of Consecration*, so that it shall read : —

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn.*

p. 226 (q) Amend the last clause of the rubric before the *Gloria in excelsis*, so that it shall read, *or some other Hymn.*

p. 228 (r) In the last rubric but one, at the end of the Office, substitute for the word *if* the word *though*.

p. 228 (s) Add the rubric : —

¶ *And, Note, That every Communicant should receive the Communion, at the least, three times in the year, of which Easter to be one.*

### RESOLUTION XIII.

*Resolved*: the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE MINISTRATION OF

#### PUBLIC BAPTISM OF INFANTS,

#### TO BE USED IN THE CHURCH,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 229 (a) Add to the rubric immediately before the first



Exhortation the words, *the People all standing until the Lord's Prayer.* S. P. B.

(b) Alter the first sentence of the rubric before the Gospel, so that it shall read : — p. 230

¶ *Then the Minister shall say as followeth: or else shall pass immediately to the questions addressed to the Sponsors.*

(c) Print the *Amen* at the end of the Prayer "Almighty and everlasting God, heavenly Father, etc.," in Roman type, to indicate that the Prayer is to be said by Minister and People, and also make the corresponding change in the Office of Adult Baptism. pp. 231, 242

#### RESOLUTION XIV.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or Deputies*] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE MINISTRATION OF

#### PRIVATE BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

#### IN HOUSES,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) Omit from the first rubric all after the word *Children.* p. 235

(b) Change the wording of the First Prayer of Thanksgiving, so that what follows the words "incorporate him into thy holy Church," shall read : p. 235

And we humbly beseech thee to grant, that as *he is* now made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, so *he* may be also of his resurrection; and that finally, with the residue of thy Saints, *he* may inherit thine everlasting kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

(c) In the rubric after the Thanksgiving, insert between the words *in which case*, and the words *he shall say*, the words *all standing*, and add to the form of certification which follows the rubric the words : — p. 235

Who *is* now by Baptism incorporated into the Christian Church: for our Lord Jesus Christ doth not deny his grace and mercy unto such Infants, but most lovingly doth call them unto him, as the holy Gospel doth witness to our comfort.

- S. P. B. (d) Omit from the second form of certification the  
p. 236 words *on this wise*, and from the rubric that follows it the words *or else shall pass on to the questions addressed to the Sponsors*.
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## RESOLUTION XV.

*Resolved*: the House of Bishops [*or Deputies*] concurring, That the following changes be made in

## THE MINISTRATION OF

BAPTISM TO SUCH AS ARE OF RIPER YEARS,

AND ABLE TO ANSWER FOR THEMSELVES,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

- p. 239 (a) After the second rubric insert the words,

Hath this person been already Baptized, or no?

adding to the said rubric the words, *And standing there, the Minister shall say*.

- p. 239 (b) Omit the third rubric, and add after the question, "Hath this person, etc.," the rubric: —

¶ *If they answer, No; then shall the Minister (the People all standing until the Lord's Prayer) proceed as followeth.*

- p. 245 (c) In the closing Exhortation change "representeth" to "doth represent."
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## RESOLUTION XVI.

*Resolved*: the House of Bishops [*or Deputies*] concurring, That the following changes be made in

## THE ORDER OF

CONFIRMATION,

OR LAYING ON OF HANDS UPON THOSE WHO ARE BAPTIZED

AND COME TO YEARS OF DISCRETION,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in

the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution. S. P. B.

(a) Change the first rubric so that it shall read as follows : — p. 251

¶ *Upon the day appointed, all that are to be then confirmed, being placed and standing in order before the Bishop, sitting in his chair near to the Holy Table, he, or some other Minister appointed by him, may read this Preface following.*

(b) After the Preface insert as follows : — p. 252

¶ *Then the Bishop, or some Minister appointed by him, may say,  
Hear the words of the Evangelist St. Luke, in the eighth Chapter of the Book of the Acts of the Apostles.*

Add the passage *Acts viii. 12-17* as shown in the B. A., p. 289.

(c) Insert a form for presenting the Candidates to the Bishop, as follows : — p. 252

¶ *Then the Minister shall present unto the Bishop those who are to be confirmed, and shall say,  
Reverend Father in God. I present unto you these Children [or these Persons] to receive the Laying on of Hands.*

*The Bishop.* Take heed that the *Children [or Persons]* whom ye present unto us, be sufficiently instructed in the principles of Christ's religion, and that they be minded to fear God and to keep his Commandments.

¶ *The Minister shall answer,*

I have examined them, and think them so to be.

[¶ *Or, if certain of them have been examined by another than himself, he shall say,*

I have examined them, or have inquired concerning them, and think them so to be.]

(d) Insert after the presentation of the Candidates, and before the present Question and Answer, four questions upon the baptismal vows, with answers. See B. A., 290-1. p. 252

(e) After the Prayer "Almighty and ever-living God," insert the rubric : — p. 252

¶ *Then may be sung a Hymn.*

(f) After the final Blessing insert the rubric : — p. 253

¶ *The Minister shall not omit earnestly to move the Persons confirmed to come without delay, to the Lord's Supper.*

(g) After the rubric at the end of the Office put the rubric, p. 253

¶ *This Office may be used alone, or as the Bishop, in his discretion, may appoint.*

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## RESOLUTION XVII.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

THE FORM OF  
SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY.

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 254 (a) Insert in the Exhortation, after the words "holy Matrimony," the words,

"which is an honourable estate, instituted of God in the time of man's innocency, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church; which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence, and first miracle that he wrought in Cana of Galilee."

p. 256 (b) After the Lord's Prayer insert the rubric:—

¶ *Then the Minister shall say one, or both, of the following Prayers, at his discretion:*

adding the Prayer, "O God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, bless these thy servants," etc., as shown in B. A., p. 295.

## RESOLUTION XVIII.

*Resolved*: the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

THE ORDER FOR  
THE VISITATION OF THE SICK,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

pp. 259 (a) Conform the phraseology of the Creed in its inter-  
-260 rogative form to that used in The Orders of Morning and Evening Prayer, and in The Catechism.

pp. 262 (b) Insert after The Prayer for a Sick Child, the three  
-264 Prayers of the B. A. (pp. 301-2) entitled

- (1) For the Aged.
- (2) In time of Great Bodily Danger or Distress.
- (3) In Prolonged Sickness.

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(c) Insert after The Prayer for a Sick Person where there appeareth but small hope of recovery, the Prayers of the B. A., p. 303, entitled Short Prayers with the Dying.

#### RESOLUTION XIX.

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK,

and the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

- (a) Add to the first rubric the words, *the Minister first pronouncing*. p. 265

O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.  
 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more toward us:  
 and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise the LORD.  
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
 without end. Amen.

Lord have mercy upon us.  
*Christ have mercy upon us.*  
 Lord have mercy upon us.  
 The Lord be with you.  
*And with thy Spirit.*  
 Let us pray.

- (c) Insert between the second and third of the rubrics after *The Gospel* the following rubric and order: — p. 266

¶ *In the times of contagious sickness or disease, or when extreme weakness renders it expedient, the following form shall suffice:*  
 The Collect, Epistle and Gospel.  
 "Ye who do truly," etc.  
 The Confession and the Absolution.  
 The Prayer of Consecration, ending with these words, — "partakers of his most blessed body and blood."  
 The Communion.  
 "Our Father," etc.  
 The Benediction.

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## RESOLUTION XX.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

THE ORDER FOR  
THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 266 (a) Alter the first rubric so that it shall read:—

¶ *Here it is to be noted that the Office ensuing is not to be used for any unbaptized adults, any excommunicate persons who die impenitent, or any who die in the commission of a grievous crime, or who, having laid violent hands on themselves, have not been found to have been of unsound mind.*

p. 270 (b) Insert immediately after the Lesson the following rubric:—

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn or an Anthem; and, at the discretion of the Minister, the Creed, and such fitting Prayers as are elsewhere provided in this Book, may be added.*

p. 270 (c) At the end of “Man that is born of a woman hath but a short time,” etc., add “Amen.”

p. 270 (d) In The Sentence of Committal, change “deceased brother” to “brother departed.”

p. 272 (e) At the end of the Office put the following rubric:—

¶ *Inasmuch as it may sometimes be expedient to say under shelter of the church the whole or a part of the service appointed to be said at the Grave, the same is hereby allowed for weighty cause.*

p. 272 (f) Append to the Office the special Form of Committal Sentence provided for the Burial of the Dead at Sea, and at present included in the Forms of Prayer to be used at Sea, prefacing the same with a proper rubric, as shown in B. A., p. 314.

(g) Append to the Office certain alternative forms provided in the B. A., pp. 314–7, under the heading

AT THE BURIAL OF INFANTS OR YOUNG CHILDREN.

¶ *The Office shall be as usual, save that the following alternative forms may be used, at the discretion of the Minister.*



and insert the said alternative forms under the following rubrics, respectively : —

- ¶ *For the Sentences.*
- ¶ *For the Psalm.*
- ¶ *For the Lesson.*
- ¶ *For the Sentence of Committal.*
- ¶ *For the Anthem.*
- ¶ *For the Prayers.*

#### RESOLUTION XXI.

*Resolved*: the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following change be made in

#### THE CHURCHING OFFICE,

and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

Alter the third rubric so that it shall read : —

¶ *Then shall be said by both of them the following Hymn, the woman still kneeling.* p. 272

#### RESOLUTION XXII.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

#### THE

#### FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED AT SEA,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) Omit the first rubric, and *The Collect* which follows the first Prayer. p. 274

(b) Put at the beginning, the Prayer entitled, *For Merchantmen*, as shown in B. A., p. 319.

(bb) Insert after the Prayer *For Merchantmen*, the title *For Ships of War*.

(c) Insert in the title, *Prayers to be used in storms at sea*, after the word *used* the words *in all ships*.

(d) Group separately the Prayers that have reference

S. P. B. to a storm, and those that have reference to the enemy, as shown in B. A., pp. 320-22, transferring the Lord's Prayer to a place immediately after the Absolution, and prefacing it with the rubric, —

¶ *Then shall they say together the Lord's Prayer.*

(e) Arrange under distinct headings (as shown in B. A., pp. 323, 326), the forms belonging to *Thanksgiving after a Storm*, and *Thanksgiving after Victory*.

(f) Append to the Forms the following rubric: —

¶ *At the Burial of the Dead at Sea, the Burial Office elsewhere appointed in this Book may be used; but Note, That, in such case, the Sentence of Committal shall be pronounced in the form set forth at the end of said Office.*

#### RESOLUTION XXIII.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in the Office for

#### THE VISITATION OF PRISONERS,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

p. 283 (a) Change the wording of the second rubric, so that it shall read: —

¶ *And when notice is given to the Minister, that a Prisoner is confined for some crime, he shall visit him; and when he cometh into the place where the Prisoner is, he shall say as followeth, or else pass directly to the Exhortation.*

p. 283 (b) Omit the words *Minister* and *Answer* from before the Versicles that follow the Lord's Prayer.

(c) For The Collect after the Versicles, substitute The Collect, "O God, whose nature and property, etc.," and place the latter [together with the Prayer, "O God, who sparest when we deserve punishment"] after the Psalm *Miserere*, the two to be preceded by the following rubric: —

¶ *Here the Minister, as he shall see convenient, may read certain or all of these Prayers following, the Prayer for all Conditions of Men, or any other Prayer which he shall judge proper. B. A., pp. 330-31.*

(d) Change the wording of the second rubric after the Creed, so that it shall read, S. P. B.  
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¶ *Then, all kneeling, the Minister shall say the Fifty-first Psalm of the Psalter, Miserere mei, Deus.*

and omit the printing of the *Miserere*.

(e) Change the title, *Prayer for Persons under sentence of death*, to *A Form of Prayer for Persons under Sentence of Death*, and omit from the rubric that follows the title the words, "*immediately after the Collect, O God, who sparest,*" etc. p. 287

(f) Omit the *Prayer for Imprisoned Debtors*.

(g) Change the rubric after the Blessing, so that it shall read, —

¶ *At the time of Execution, the Minister shall use such devotions as he shall think proper.*

And add this,

Notice. *It is judged best that the Criminal should rest.*

#### RESOLUTION XXIV.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or Deputies*] concurring, that the following changes be made in the

#### FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) *Morning Prayer*. Omit the words "And" and "But" at the beginning of the first and of the second Prayers after the Lord's Prayer. pp. 295  
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(b) In the *Prayer for grace to enable us, etc.*, for "excited to our duty" put "incited to our duty."

(c) In the sixth line of the *Prayer For grace to guide and keep us*, for "with" put "in."

(d) Add to the marginal note beginning "*On Sunday Morning, in place of this, say,*" a reference to the following footnote: —

S. P. B. And grant that those of us who are, this day, to receive the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, may come to those holy mysteries with faith, charity and true repentance, and being filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, may to their great and endless comfort receive remission of their sins and all other benefits of his Passion. †

† *This is to be added when the Holy Communion is to be celebrated.*

(e) *Evening Prayer.* Omit the word "And" from *The Intercession*, and in the *Prayer for God's Protection* change "living and dying" to "living or dying."

(f) Add the following alternative benedictory Prayer :

The Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up his countenance upon us; and give us peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

(g) In the last rubric, substitute for the words *New Testament* the words *Holy Scriptures*.

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#### RESOLUTION XXV.

pp. 300  
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*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the

#### SELECTIONS OF PSALMS,

having been otherwise provided for, be omitted, and that a Table of Selections be substituted in their stead, under the heading "How the Psalter is appointed to be read," as shown in B. A., p. x., and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

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#### RESOLUTION XXVI.

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*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That there be substituted for the *Portions of Psalms to be sung or said at Morning Prayer, instead of the Vennite, etc.*, five *Proper Anthems for Certain Festivals*, as shown in B. A., pp. 341-3, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, in ac-

cordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution. S. P. B.

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RESOLUTION XXVII.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be approved in connection with

THE PSALTER,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) Print the number of the Psalms in common numerals, and at the top of each page on which a Psalm begins, note the number of said Psalm.

(b) Assign Psalm cxli. to the evening instead of to the morning of the twenty-ninth day of the month. p. 502

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RESOLUTION XXIX.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

THE FORM AND MANNER OF

MAKING, ORDAINING AND CONSECRATING

BISHOPS, PRIESTS AND DEACONS,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) In the first rubric of The Ordering of Deacons, The Ordering of Priests, and The Consecration of Bishops, after the words *is ended* add the words *if it be said at that time*. pp. 525  
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(b) In place of the second rubric after The Notice to the People, in the *Ordering of Deacons*, insert the following:— p. 525

S. P. B. ¶ *Then the Bishop, commending such as shall be found meet to be ordered to the Prayers of the Congregation, shall, with the Clergy and People present, say the Litany, ending with the Prayer, "We humbly beseech Thee, O Father," etc., save only that after this place, "That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons," etc., the proper suffrage shall be:*

*That it may please thee to bless these thy servants now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons, and to pour thy grace upon them; that they may duly execute their Office to the edifying of thy Church, and the glory of thy holy name.*

*Answer. We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.*

In the *Ordering of Priests*, make the like change in the corresponding rubric, substituting the word *Priests* for *Deacons*.

In the corresponding rubric in the *Consecration of Bishops*, add, after the words *The Litany*, the words, ending with the *Prayer*, "We humbly beseech thee, O Father," etc.

p. 527 (c) Substitute for the words "baptize infants," the words "administer Baptism."

p. 539 (d) In the rubric following "Take thou Authority," etc., in the *Ordering of Priests*, insert after the words "*is done*," the words "*the Creed shall be said or sung, and*." B. A., p. 543.

p. 543 (e) In the rubric after The Gospel in the *Consecration of Bishops*, insert after the word "*Gospel*," the words "*and the Creed*."

p. 546 (f) After the "*Veni Creator*" substitute for the rubric as it now stands the rubric:—

¶ *Or else the longer Paraphrase of the same Hymn, as it is set forth in the Ordering of Priests.*

(g) Omit altogether from The Ordinal, *The Litany and Suffrages*, and *The Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper*.

(h) Append to the Ordinal the words, *The End of the Ordinal*.



## RESOLUTION XXX.

S. P. B.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

## THE FORM OF

## CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH OR CHAPEL,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) Omit from the title all that follows the word *Chapel*.

(b) In the First Prayer, substitute for the words "performance of all other holy offices," the words "ministries of holy worship."

p. 569

(c) In the second of the six Intercessory Prayers, substitute for the words as they now stand, the words, —

p. 570

Grant, O Lord, that they who at this place shall in their own persons renew the promises and vows of their Baptism, and be confirmed by the Bishop, etc.

The rest unchanged.

(d) Supply as alternative first and second Lessons, "Genesis xxviii., at v. 10." "Revelation xxi., at v. 10."

p. 571

(e) Omit the rubric that follows the Proper Lessons.

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(f) In the Prayer before the final Blessing, for "religious performance" put "solemnities."

(g) Insert after the Gospel the rubric, —

¶ *Then shall be said or sung this Psalm; and print the Jubilate Deo in full, as shown in B. A., p. 557.*

## RESOLUTION XXXI.

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in

## THE

## OFFICE OF INSTITUTION OF MINISTERS

## INTO PARISHES OR CHURCHES,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the

- S. P. B. | several Dioceses in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of 'Article VIII of the Constitution.
- p. 573 | (a) Omit from the title all that follows the word *Churches*.
- p. 573 | (b) In the first rubric, substitute for what now follows the words *this Church, may*, the words *proceed to institute him into the Parish*.
- p. 573 | (c) In the Bishop's Letter of Institution, omit the bracketed words [*or Assistant Minister, as the case may be*].
- pp. 574  
-575 | (d) Omit the Standing Committee's Letter of Institution, and the rubric that precedes it.
- p. 575 | (e) Alter the rubric before the *Proper Psalms*, so that the former portion of it shall read : —
- ¶ " *On the day designated for the new Incumbent's Institution, at the usual hour for Morning Prayer, the Bishop, or the Institutor appointed by him, attended by the new Incumbent, and by the other Clergy present, shall enter the Chancel. Then all the Clergy present, standing in the Chancel or Choir, except the Bishop or the Priest who acts as Institutor, who shall go within the rails of the altar; the Wardens, etc.*
- p. 575 | (f) In the rubrics which immediately precede and follow the Challenge to show just cause, insert before the words *the Priest*, the words *the Bishop or*.
- (f f) Omit from the Challenge the words [*or Assistant Minister*].
- p. 575 | (g) In the second rubric after the Challenge, omit the words *the Priest who acts as*, and substitute for the words *he shall next read*, the words *then shall be read*.
- p. 576 | (h) In the Warden's Presentation of the keys, omit the bracketed [*or Assistant Minister*].
- p. 576 | (i) In the rubric following the Reception of the keys, substitute for the words *Instituting Minister*, the word *Institutor*.
- p. 576 | (j) In the rubric following the *Lord's Prayer*, omit the words *Priest who acts as the*, and substitute for the word *State* the word *Diocesan*.
- p. 577 | (k) In place of the Anthem *Laudate Nomen* and the rubric prefixed to it, substitute the following : —

¶ *Then shall be said or sung Psalm lxxviii. Exargat Deus, or Psalm xxvi. Judica me, Domine.* S. P. B.

The *Gloria Patri*, and the Versicles that follow it, to be retained as at present.

(l) In the last line of the Prayer, "O God, Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the Faithful," omit the word "as." p. 578

(m) Omit the last clause of the last rubric.

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#### RESOLUTION XXXII.

*Resolved:* The House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes be made in connection with

#### THE ARTICLES OF RELIGION,

and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) That the Articles be put at the end of the Prayer-Book, and given a distinct titlepage, as shown in B. A., p. 565.

(b) That the word "all" be restored to its original place between the words "for" and "actual" in Article II. p. 512

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#### RESOLUTION XXXIII.

*Resolved:* the House of Bishops [*or* Deputies] concurring, That the following changes in miscellaneous matters of detail be made, and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that they may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution.

(a) ARRANGEMENT. — Arrange the various Forms, Offices, Ministrations, etc., in the order in which they are placed in the Book Annexed as specified in the Table of Contents therein contained.

S. P. B. (b) ORTHOGRAPHY. — Establish uniformity and consistency with regard to the termination of verbs in the third person singular, e. g., *followeth*, *representeth*; the preposition *toward*; the possessive pronouns *thy* and *thine*; the singular *ear*, where Deity is addressed; conforming in these respects to the use observed in the Book Annexed.

(c) PUNCTUATION AND CAPITALIZATION. — Punctuate and capitalize the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the Psalms, and the Formularies throughout, according to the use followed in the Book Annexed; except in cases of manifest typographical error, should such be found to exist.

(d) Change the order of the words "said or sung" wherever it has been changed in the Book Annexed.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE  
ON THE  
REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE  
ON  
LITURGICAL ENRICHMENT.<sup>1</sup>

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THE Committee of Conference on the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, etc., respectfully report and recommend to both Houses that they adopt Resolutions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVI, XVII, XVIII, XIX, XX, XXI, XXII, XXIII, XXIV, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, of such Report, with the amendments hereinafter stated, as one legislative act; and that the action upon such Resolutions be taken first in the House of Bishops, and that the House of Deputies concur therein.

*Schedule of Amendments to the Report of the Joint Committee on Liturgical Enrichment, etc., and to the Book Annexed thereto.*

RESOLUTION I.—THE TITLEPAGE.

1. Insert “severally” before “adopted.”

RESOLUTION II.—THE INTRODUCTORY PORTION.

1. Insert “severally” before “adopted.”
2. Part (b), B. A., p. ix. Add to first paragraph of the Order *Concerning the Service of the Church* — “*Provided that no one of these Services be habitually disused.*”

<sup>1</sup> In preparing this Report for the Journal, some explanations and references to the “Book Annexed” have been added in brackets.

3. Part (b), B. A., p. ix. Before "On other days," in *The Order how the Psalter*, etc., insert "But Note that."

4. Part (b), B. A., p. ix. In *Table of Proper Psalms*, etc., transfer the Psalms for the Transfiguration to the place next after those for Trinity Sunday.

5. Part (b), B. A., p. x. In the second paragraph of *The Order how the Rest*, etc., for "Feasts and Fasts" read "Holy-days."

6. Part (b), B. A., p. x. Add to the first paragraph of *Hymns and Anthems*, "and Anthems only in the words either of Holy Scripture or of the Book of Common Prayer;" and strike out the second paragraph.

7. In Part (c), for "eighteenth day of January," read "sixth day of August." [This relates to the day to be appointed as the Feast of the Transfiguration.]

8. Part (d), B. A., pp. xi.-xix. inclusive. Substitute for the Tables of Lessons, etc., the following: [The Lectionary as adopted by the Convention, with amendments to provide for the Feast of the Transfiguration.]

9. In Part (f), for "*The Epiphany*," read "*St. James the Apostle*." [B. A., p. xx. In the *Table of Feasts*, transfer the Transfiguration to the foot of the first column.]

10. Part (g), B. A., p. xxi., line 1. For "in the Calendar prefixed to the several Days," read "prefixed to the several days in the foregoing Calendar."

11. Part (g), B. A., p. xxiv. Strike out lines 1, 2, and 3.

#### RESOLUTION III.—MORNING PRAYER.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

2. In Part (a), (B. A., p. 1), in the rubric, after "Confession" insert "*saying*, Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God;" and after "*abstinence*" insert "*he may begin*." [So that the rubric may read as follows:—

"¶ *The Minister shall begin the MORNING PRAYER by reading one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture; and then he shall say that which is written after them; save that on Christmas-day, Easter-day, and Whitsunday, and on any day not a Lord's Day, he may omit the Exhortation, and proceed to bid the People to prayer at the Confession, saying, Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God; or, except on days of fasting and abstinence, he may begin at the Lord's Prayer.*"



3. Part (b), B. A., p. 2. Before the Sentence for Whitsunday, insert: —

“Seeing that we have a great High-priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Heb. iv. 14, 16.*”

with the marginal note, “*Ascension-day.*”

4. Strike out Part (d). [B. A., p. 3. In rubric, for “*with,*” read “*after,*” as in S. P. B.]

5. Part (e). B. A., p. 4. For the alternative Absolution, read: —

“The Almighty and merciful Father grant you true repentance, absolution and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*”

6. Strike out Part (f). [B. A., p. 4. Restore rubric before Lord’s Prayer, as in S. P. B.]

7. In Part (g), for the first rubric (B. A., p. 5, third rubric), read: —

“¶ *Then shall be sung, or said, this Psalm following, except on the days for which Proper Anthems are appointed; except also on Ash Wednesday, the six days next before Easter, and when it is used in the course of the Psalms on the nineteenth day of the month.*”

8. In Part (i), rubric (B. A., p. 6, first rubric), for the first sentence, read, ¶ *Then shall follow a Portion of the Psalms, or one of the Selections of Psalms, as they are appointed;*” and for “*Levavi oculos,*” read, “*De profundis.*”

9. In Part (i), (B. A., p. 6), insert after the same rubric, —

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

“As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. *Amen.*”

“¶ *At the end of the whole Portion of Psalms, or Selection from the Psalter, the Gloria in excelsis may be sung or said, instead of the Gloria Patri.*”

10. In Part (o), strike out “*in double columns;*” and for “*Levavi oculos,*” read, “*De profundis.*” [B. A., p. 11, substitute Psalm cxxx. for cxxi.]

11. In Part (p), (B. A., p. 11), for the rubric, read: —

“¶ *Then shall be said the Apostles’ Creed by the Minister and the People, standing. And any Churches may, instead of the words, He descended into hell, use the words, He went into the place of departed spirits, which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed.*”

12. Strike out Part (r). [B. A., p. 12. Restore the rubric “¶ *Or this,*” and the Creed, as in S. P. B.]

13. In Part (s), (B. A., p. 12, last rubric), for "*save on the Lord's Day,*" read, "*On Christmas-day, Easter-day, and Whitsun-day, and on any Week-day.*" [So that the rubric may read as follows:—

"¶ *The following Prayers are to be omitted here, when the Litany is said; and Note, That on Christmas-day, Easter-day, and Whitsun-day, and on any Week-day, the Minister may here end the Morning Order with such Prayer or Prayers, taken out of this Book, as he shall think proper.*"]

14. In Part (u), line 6 (B. A., p. 14, first marginal note), for "to be said," read, "may be said;" and the like in Part (v), line 7 (B. A., p. 14, second marginal note).

#### RESOLUTION IV.—EVENING PRAYER.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

2. In Part (b), line 1, strike out "1st." [B. A., p. 15. Restore as the first Sentence at Evening Prayer, "The Lord is in his holy temple," etc., as in S. P. B.]

3. Part (b). B. A., p. 16. Before the Sentence for Whitsunday, insert,—

"Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us. *Heb. ix. 24.*"

with the marginal note, "*Ascension-day.*"

4. In Part (c), line 3 (B. A., p. 17, line 5), for "before" read "unto."

5. In Part (d), strike out all before "add" in line 3. [B. A., p. 17. In second rubric, for "*with*" read "*after,*" as in S. P. B.]

6. Part (f), B. A., p. 19. For the alternative Absolution, read as in Amendment 5 of Resolution III.

7. Strike out Parts (j) and (m). [B. A., p. 22, first rubric. Read as in S. P. B.; and give no direction as to use of double columns.]

8. In Parts (k) and (n), (B. A., pp. 22, 23, notes), for "Ash Wednesday" read "any day in Lent;" and strike out "there shall be said, and on the other days in Lent."

9. In Part (n), (B. A., p. 23, last rubric), read as in Amendment 11 of Resolution III.

10. In Part (p), (B. A., p. 24), arrange the additional Versicles and Responses as follows:—

- "*Minister.* O Lord, save thy people.  
 "*Answer.* And bless thine inheritance.  
 "*Minister.* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.  
 "*Answer.* And make thy chosen people joyful.  
 "*Minister.* O Lord, save our Rulers.  
 "*Answer.* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
 "*Minister.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
 "*Answer.* For it is thou alone that makest wars to cease in all the world."

11. In Part (q), (B. A., p. 25), last rubric, strike out "*Save on the Lord's Day.*"

12. Part (r), B. A., p. 25, line 18. Print "THE GOVERNOR OF" in Italics.

13. Part (s), B. A., p. 26, marginal notes. Read as in Amendment 14 of Resolution II.

#### RESOLUTION V.—THE BEATITUDES.

1. B. A., p. 28. In first rubric, after "*Evening Prayer*" insert "*on any day.*"

2. B. A., p. 29. For the rubric read:—

"¶ Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer, with the Collects following; but the Lord's Prayer may be omitted if it have been said immediately before.

"Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, And the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen."

#### RESOLUTION VI.—THE LITANY.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

2. In Part (a), first rubric (B. A., p. 30, lines 3 and 4), for "*said or sung*" read "*used;*" and insert "*Order for the*" before "*Administration.*"

3. In Part (b), for "fire" read "from fire and flood;" and for "before" read "after." [B. A., p. 31, line 9. Read "From lightning and tempest; from fire and flood; from plague," etc.]

4. In Part (c), (B. A., p. 32), for the new suffrage read, —

"That it may please thee to behold and bless thy servant, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; and to endue him with wisdom, true righteousness and holiness of life;"

5. For Part (d), read as follows:—

(d) (B. A., p. 32.) Insert after the suffrage for Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the following : —

“That it may please thee to send forth labourers into thine harvest;  
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.”

6. In Part (e), rubric (B. A., p. 34, line 11), after “*discretion*” insert “*except when the Litany is used as a separate Service.*”

#### RESOLUTION VII.—PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS.

1. Insert “severally” before “adopted.”

2. Add Part (a a) as follows : —

(a a), B. A., p. 37. Insert the following rubric after the Prayer for Congress : —

“¶ If, during the session of Congress, the Legislature be also in session, there may be added after the words, in Congress assembled, the words, and for the Legislature of this State now convened. If Congress be not in session, there may be substituted for the words, these United States, the words, this State; and for the words, Senate and Representatives in Congress assembled, the words, Legislature now convened.”

4. In Part (b), after “omit” insert “the words ‘and Presence’ in the sixth line;” and for “fifth and tenth lines” read “tenth line.” [B. A., p. 38, line 3. Restore “present” after “be;” and in line 4 strike out “and Presence.”]

In Part (b), (B. A., p. 38), for the rubric read : —

“¶ During or before the session of any General or Diocesan Convention, the above Prayer may be used by all Congregations of this Church, or of the Diocese concerned; the clause, here assembled in thy Name, being changed to, now assembled [or, about to assemble] in thy Name; and the clause, govern us in our work, to, govern them in their work.”

5. In part (c), (B. A., p. 40), strike out “Young” from title of Prayer, before “Persons preparing for Confirmation.”

6. Part (c), B. A., p. 41, last word, and p. 42, line 1. Strike out “all in this land;” B. A., p. 42, line 2, strike out “who have become;” and, lines 7–13 inclusive, strike out all between “brethren” and “Grant.” [So that the Prayer may read : —

“Most gracious God, whose tender mercies are over all thy works, and whose compassions fail not; We commend to thy fatherly pity and protection the poor, the sick, the children, the prisoners dependent on the public care. Suffer us not, in our prosperity, to trust in riches, forgetful that we are bidden to be labourers together with thee; but give unto us, and unto this whole people, grace to show kindness and mercy toward those whom thy dear Son hath vouchsafed to call his brethren. Grant this, O Father, through the same thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.”]

7. Part (c), B. A., p. 43. For the Prayer *For Missions* read, —

“O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Be graciously pleased to multiply and bless the heralds of the Gospel of thy Son; and shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*”

8. Part (c), B. A., p. 43. Transfer the Prayers *For Missions* and *For the Increase of the Ministry* to p. 41, immediately after the Prayers *For those who are to be admitted into Holy Orders*.

9. Part (c), B. A., p. 43, line 4 from bottom. For “punishments” read “chastisements.”

10. Part (c), B. A., p. 46, line 7. Insert “faithful work and” before “blameless.”

11. In Part (d), strike out the first four Collects. [B. A., pp. 46, 47. These Collects are restored to the end of the Communion Service by Amendment 7 of Resolution XII.]

12. Part (d), B. A., p. 48, line 12. For “but to let his words” read “and whose words did;” and, line 15, for “another’s” read “any Christian.”

13. Part (d), B. A., p. 49. Before *A General Intercession* insert the Collect, “O God, whose nature and property,” etc., as on pp. 330, 331, with the title, “*A Prayer for Mercy and Pardon.*”

14. Part (d), B. A., p. 49, lines 22, 23, 24. For the sentence beginning, “Bless the schools,” read, “Bless all those who labour in works of mercy, and schools of good learning.”

15. Part (d), B. A., p. 51. Insert at the end of the special Prayers the Collect “*For Aid against Perils,*” “O Lord, our heavenly Father,” etc., as in S. P. B., p. 22.

16. Add Part (e e) as follows:—

(e e). In title of first Thanksgiving, strike out “*The;*” and in line 4 strike out “*this woman.*” Also in the rubric before the Thanksgiving, for “*being present in Church, shall have desired*” read “*desireth.*” [B. A., p. 51.]

17. Part (f), B. A., p. 52, line 15. For “soul” read “life.”

18. Add Part (f f) as follows:—

(f f). Amend the title of the Thanksgiving *For a Safe Return from Sea*, so as to read “*For a Safe Return from Voyage or*

*Travel*;" and in line 4, after "the great deep" insert "[his way]," italicising both phrases. [B. A., p. 52.]

#### RESOLUTION VIII. — PENITENTIAL OFFICE.

1. B. A., p. 56, line 21. Strike out "*Answer*."
2. B. A., p. 58. Amend the Blessing so as to read as on p. 300, B. A.

#### RESOLUTION IX. — THANKSGIVING DAY.

1. B. A., p. 58. Amend the Title so as to read, "*The Proper Order for Prayer and Thanksgiving on Thanksgiving Day or Harvest-home*."
2. B. A., pp. 59, 60. Transpose the two Thanksgivings; and in the second rubric on p. 59, strike out "*General*."
3. B. A., p. 64, line 3. For "Give us" read "Grant to all Christian people."
4. B. A., p. 64, line 10. For "in thy good time" read "henceforth."

#### RESOLUTION XI. — THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."
2. Strike out Part (b). [B. A., p. 68, second rubric. For "*before*" read "*with*" as in S. P. B.]
3. For Part (c) read, —  
 "(c) After the Gospel for Christmas-day, insert the rubric, —  
 "¶ Or the Collect, Epistle and Gospel that follow may be used."  
 "together with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel printed in the B. A., pp. 74, 75." [B. A., pp. 74, 75, 76. Strike out "AT THE FIRST COMMUNION" and "AT THE SECOND COMMUNION;" place the new Collect, Epistle, and Gospel after the old; and insert between them the above rubric.]
4. Add Part (d d) as follows: —  
 (d d) Amend the rubric after the Collect for St. Stephen's Day, so as to read as follows: —  
 "¶ Then shall follow one of the Collects of the Nativity, which shall be said continually until the Feast of the Circumcision."
5. For Part (k) read, —  
 "(k) After the title Easter-day omit the rubric and Anthems; and after the Gospel, insert the rubric, —  
 "¶ Or the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel that follow may be used."  
 "together with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel printed in the B. A., pp. 144, 145." (See amendment 3, above.)



## 6. For Part (n) read, —

“(n) After the Gospel for ~~Whitsun-day~~, insert the rubric, —  
 “¶ Or the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel that follow may be used.”  
 “together with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel printed in the B. A., pp. 162, 163.” (See amendment 3, above.)

7. In Part (q), for “*St. Thomas’s*” read “*St. James’s*,” and for “*The Conversion of St. Paul*” read “*St. Bartholomew’s Day*.” [B. A., pp. 213, 214, 215. Transfer the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for the Feast of the Transfiguration to the place next after the Gospel for the Feast of St. James the Apostle, on p. 234.]

8. Part (q), B. A., p. 214. In line 1, for “16” read “13;” and add to the Epistle for the Transfiguration, —

“And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.”

9. Strike out Part (r). [B. A., pp. 244, 245. Restore the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Thanksgiving-day to their former place as in S. P. B.]

## RESOLUTION XII.—THE HOLY COMMUNION.

1. Insert “severally” before “adopted.”

2. In Part (c), rubric (B. A., p. 247, second rubric), insert “at the earlier Service” after “omitted;” and for “have been previously used” read “be used once.”

3. In Part (g), rubric (B. A., p. 249, last rubric), amend so as to read: —

“¶ Then, unless one of them hath been used immediately before in the Morning Prayer, shall be said the Apostles’ Creed, or this that followeth.”

4. In Part (l), (B. A., p. 254), rubric, for “once” read “on one Lord’s Day.”

5. In Part (m), strike out “‘Trisagion,’ or.”

6. In Part (o), for “may dwell in them, and they in him” read “we and all others who;” and for “may dwell in us, and we in him,” read “whosoever.” [B. A., p. 260, sixth and seventh lines from the bottom, for “we and all others who” read “whosoever;” and in the second line from the bottom restore “them” and “they” in place of “us” and “we,” as in S. P. B.]

7. Add Part (q q) as follows: —

(q q) Amend the rubrical title to the Collects after the Blessing, so as to read, —

“¶ *Collects to be said before the Benediction, or as occasion may require.*”

[B. A., p. 263. Restore the five Collects to their place after the Blessing, as in S. P. B., with the rubrical title given above. See Amendment 11 of Resolution VII.]

8. Add Part (r r) as follows: —

(r r) In the last rubric, substitute for the words “*eat and drink*” the word “*consume.*”

[B. A., p. 263, line 18, for “*eat and drink*” read “*consume.*”]

9. In Part (s), for “*rubric*” read “*rubrics,*” and add the following: —

“¶ *There shall be no Celebration of the Lord's Supper, except there be a convenient number to communicate with the Priest, according to his discretion.*”

“¶ *And even though there be not above twenty persons in the parish of discretion to receive the Communion, yet there shall be no Celebration, except three (or two at the least) communicate with the Priest.*”

#### RESOLUTION XIII.—PUBLIC BAPTISM OF INFANTS.

1. Insert “*severally*” before “*adopted.*”

#### RESOLUTION XIV.—PRIVATE BAPTISM OF CHILDREN.

1. Insert “*severally*” before “*adopted.*”

#### RESOLUTION XV.—BAPTISM OF THOSE OF RIPER YEARS.

1. Insert “*severally*” before “*adopted.*”

#### RESOLUTION XVI.—CONFIRMATION.

1. Insert “*severally*” before “*adopted.*”

2. In part (a), (B. A., p. 289, line 7), insert after rubric, —

“*The People standing until the Lord's Prayer.*”

3. Part (d), B. A., p. 290, last rubric. For all after “*following*” read, —

“*but he may at his discretion pass to the last one of the said questions.*”

4. Part (d), B. A. p. 290, line 24. Insert “*all*” after “*re-nounce them.*”

5. Part (d), B. A., p. 290, last line Insert "do" before "believe."

6. Add part (d d) as follows:—

(d d) In the question, "Do ye here, in the presence of God," etc., insert "*then*" before "here;" before the responses to the versicles, substitute the word "*People*" for the word "*Answer*;" and print the word "*Amen*" in italics at the end of the form "Defend, O Lord," etc.

[B. A., p. 291. In line 7, insert "*then*" before "here;" in lines 16, 18, 20, for "*Answer*" read "*People*;" and in last line, for "*Amen*" read "*Amen*."]

7. Add part (e e) as follows:—

(e e) After the Collect, "O Almighty Lord," etc., insert the following rubric and Prayer:—

¶ *Or this.*

Finally, O Lord, We beseech thee that we, being saved and defended in all dangers spiritual and bodily, and being kept from all sin and wickedness, and from our spiritual enemy and from everlasting death, may diligently serve thee here, with a meek and quiet spirit, and receive the inheritance of everlasting rest and peace in thy kingdom; to whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, we ascribe all blessing and honour and glory and power, now and forevermore. *Amen.*

#### RESOLUTION XVII.—SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

2. For Part (a) read, —

(a) In the Exhortation, for "of Saint Paul" read "in Holy Scripture."

[B. A., p. 293. Strike out from "Matrimony" in line 3 of the Exhortation, to "Galilee" inclusive, and make the amendment above stated in line 9.]

3. Add Part (a a) as follows:—

(a a) Add to the first sentence of the rubric relating to the ring the words "*laying the same upon the book.*" [B. A., p. 294.]

4. Strike out Part (b). [B. A., p. 295. Strike out the first rubric and the Prayer next following.]

#### RESOLUTION XVIII.—VISITATION OF THE SICK.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

2. Strike out Part (a). [B. A., p. 299. Restore the Creed as in S. P. B.]

## RESOLUTION XIX.—COMMUNION OF THE SICK.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."
2. In Part (a), for "Add to the first rubric" read "In the first rubric, for 'two' read 'one;' and add to it." [B. A., p. 306. In line 12 of rubric, for "two" read "one."]

Add Part (d) as follows:—

(d) At the end of the Office, insert this rubric:—

¶ *This Office may be used with aged and bed-ridden persons, or such as are not able to attend the public Ministration in Church, substituting the Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the Day for those appointed above.*

## RESOLUTION XX.—BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."
2. Strike out Part (a). [B. A., p. 308. Restore first rubric of the Office as in S. P. B.]

3. Add to Part (c) the words, —

"and in the rubric following substitute '*the Minister or some one appointed by him*' for '*some standing by*.'" [B. A., p. 312, last rubric.]

4. Add to Part (d) the words, —

"and append 'Amen' to the said sentence." [B. A., p. 313, line 3.]

5. In Part (f), for "a proper rubric, as shown in B. A., p. 314," read, —

"this rubric, —

"¶ In the Sentence of Committal, instead of these words, '*Forasmuch as it hath pleased, etc.*,' say,

And insert the former portion of the Form beginning with those words before '*We therefore commit, etc.*'" [B. A., p. 314.]

6. Add to Part (f) the words, —

"and append 'Amen' to the said sentence." [B. A., p. 314.]

7. Part (g), B. A., p. 316, line 12. After the Psalm insert the *Gloria Patri*.

8. Part (g), B. A., p. 316. After "Innocents' Day" insert

"¶ *Or this.*

"*Revelation xxi.*

"*And I saw a new heaven,*" etc., printing the whole chapter.

9. Part (g), B. A., p. 316. After the Sentence of Committal insert "Amen."

RESOLUTION XXII.—FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED AT SEA.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

RESOLUTION XXIII.—VISITATION OF PRISONERS.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

RESOLUTION XXIV.—FAMILY PRAYERS

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."
2. Add to Part (c) the words, —

"and in the thirteenth line, for 'business' read 'duties.'" [B. A., p. 338, line 7.]

RESOLUTION XXV.—SELECTIONS OF PSALMS.

1. Insert after "Selections" in line 5 of the Resolution, "and a Table of Proper Psalms;" and after "stead," in line 6, "being the same as the Tables;" and in line 7, for "p. x" read "pp. ix and x; these Tables being printed immediately before the Psalter."

[So that the Resolution may read as follows:—

*Resolved:* the House of Deputies concurring, That the SELECTIONS OF PSALMS, having been otherwise provided for, be omitted; and that a Table of Selections and a Table of Proper Psalms be substituted in their stead, being the same as the Tables under the heading "How the Psalter is appointed to be read," as shown in B. A., pp. ix and x, these Tables being printed immediately before the Psalter; and that the proposed alteration, etc.]

RESOLUTION XXVII.—THE PSALTER.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

RESOLUTION XXX.—CONSECRATION OF CHURCHES.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

RESOLUTION XXXI.—INSTITUTION OF MINISTERS.

1. Insert "severally" before "adopted."

## RESOLUTION XXXII. — ARTICLES OF RELIGION.

1. Strike out Part (b), [B. A., p. 566, last line of Article II.  
No order is proposed as to reading “all” before “actual.”]

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*Chairman of the Conference Committee on  
the part of the House of Bishops.*

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON,

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# THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

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## FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 5, 1883.

THE Board of Missions met in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, October 5, at 10.30 A.M., the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair, assisted by the President of the House of Deputies: the Secretaries being the Secretary of the said House, assisted by the Secretaries of the Foreign and Domestic Committees of the Board.

The Rev. Dr. Schenck, in behalf of the Board of Managers, presented the following Order of Business, arranged by the Board under a resolution of the last General Convention, which, on motion, was adopted:—

THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:  
Morning Prayer—9.30 A.M.

“After each House shall have met separately and been called to order as Houses [of the General Convention, they shall then adjourn to attend the session of the Board of Missions, when so disposed], the Senior Bishop present shall take the chair, assisted by the President of the House of Deputies, sitting beside him.

“The Secretary of the Board of Missions thus assembled shall be the Secretary of the House of Deputies, assisted by the Secretaries of the two Committees of the Board, Foreign and Domestic.”

For further rules of Permanent Organization, see Proceedings of the Board of Missions, Journal of the General Convention of 1880, p. 335.

## FIRST DAY.

- I. Presentation and Reading of the Triennial Report of the Board of Managers of the Society.
- II. Action upon the recommendations thereto attached; unless such business be made by resolution the Order of the Day for a later session.
- III. Oral statements, not to exceed twenty minutes in length, from the several Missionary Bishops and the Bishops of the Churches in Haiti and Mexico, touching the progress of the work in their Jurisdictions during the last three years, in the order of their Consecration.

The statements of those Missionary Bishops not present will be read.

The foregoing statements to be followed by statement regarding the work among the coloured people of the South, by the Right Rev. Dr. Wilmer, Bishop of Alabama, and the Right Rev. Dr. Lyman, Bishop of North Carolina.

The Chairman, during the intervals of the foregoing statements, will announce hymns at his discretion.

## SECOND DAY.

- I. Reading and Approval of the Minutes.
- II. Continuance of the Order of Business of the previous day

## THIRD DAY.

- I. Reading and Approval of the Minutes.
- II. Continuance of the Order of Business of the previous day.
- III. A statement touching the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, by the Right Rev. Dr. Whipple, Bishop of Minnesota.
- IV. Medical Missions in Heathen Lands: their Necessity, their Scope, and some of their Results; by the Rev. Albert C. Bunn, M.D., Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Brooklyn, L.I., formerly Medical Missionary at Wuchang, China.
- V. The Triennial Report of the American Church Building Fund Commission.
- VI. Special Orders of the Day.
- VII. Appointment of a Board of Managers. (See Digest, Title III., Canon 9, § 1, Article IV.)
- VIII. (a) Naming, by the Bishop of each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, of one Clergyman and one Layman, and (b) appointment, by the Presiding Officer of the Board of Missions, of twenty members at large of the American Church Building Fund Commission. (See Proceedings, etc., Journals, etc., 1880, p. 341.)
- IX. Election of "Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, etc., etc., to perform such duties as cannot be performed by the Treasurers of the Domestic and Foreign Committees." (See Proceedings, etc., p. 336.)
- X. Miscellaneous Business.

## FOURTH AND SUCCEEDING DAYS.

- I. Reading and Approval of the Minutes.
- II. Continuance of the Order of Business of the previous day.
- III. Special Orders of the Day.
- IV. Miscellaneous Business.

## RULES OF ORDER.

The foregoing Order of Business shall not be departed from except by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Business upon the President's table, embracing (1) announcements of Committees and (2) communications received from other bodies, shall be in order at any time.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania moved a suspension of the Order of Business in order to receive a communication from the Archbishop of Canterbury by the hand of the Bishop of Rochester, which was unanimously agreed to.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania thereupon presented to the Board the Right Rev. Dr. Thorold, Bishop of Rochester, who delivered an address, and presented the communication of His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Bishop of Delaware in the chair read the letter as follows : —

LAMBETH PALACE, S.E.,  
July 25, 1883.

*From the Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of all England and Metropolitan, to the Senior Bishop and all the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America, greeting.*

*My Dear and Right Reverend Brethren and Fathers in Christ, and in the Unity of His most Holy Faith, and of His Church, —* It is with feelings of living sympathy, thanksgiving, and hope for the constant and unbroken increase of the knowledge of God through your labours and your mutual love, that we of the Church of England hail the approach of the centenary commemoration of that event which has been so fraught with blessings to the whole Church, — the consecration of Dr. Samuel Seabury to be a Bishop of the Church of God, and first prelate of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America.

The intervening period has seen the continuous spreading of the organization then made your own, and, with that outspread, a great deepening of religious life, as well as a vast multiplying of the Church's children. And now we labour side by side with you in the heart of many of the most ancient civilisations, as well as among the most barbarous tribes.

The blessing of God has indeed rested visibly on the humble acceptance and use of His own ordinances, and upon the earnest and definite communication of the truths revealed to men and committed to the teaching of His Church for the salvation of the world.

We beseech the Father that the history of this century in the Church of your people may be but as the day of small things in comparison with that which He will both trust you and enable you to do for His name in the great future.

With this I send a brief, earnest resolution passed by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. If it should seem good to your Convention in the coming year to depute one or more of your Bishops, my brethren, to take part in the annual celebrations of that venerable Society, it would afford us the sincerest gratification to receive and welcome them for their own sakes and for yours. And if further you allow me, as President of the Society, to invite one of those prelates to preach the sermon before the Society in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, as such sermon has yearly been preached by one of the Bishops of England, I should gladly do myself the honour of addressing a request to that effect to any Bishop whom you may be pleased to name to me. It would be a happy event, a significant mark of unity, an encouragement to our labourers in every land.

This will be delivered to you by the hand of our most dear brother, Anthony, Bishop of Rochester, the ninety-eighth direct successor of Mellitus, companion of Augustine.

May the blessing of the Holy Trinity be with you in fulness.

I remain ever, dear and Right Reverend brethren, your devoted brother and faithful servant,

EDW. CANTUAR.

The resolution of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, accompanying the letter, is as follows : —

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN PARTS,  
19 DELAHAY STREET, WESTMINSTER, S.W.  
July 19, 1883.

At a meeting of the Standing Committee held this day, —

*Resolved*, That the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, mindful of the privilege which it has enjoyed since its incorporation in the year 1701, of sending Clergymen to minister in America, has great pleasure in congratulating the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States on the approaching completion of a century since the consecration of Dr. Seabury to the office of a Bishop; and the Society hopes that the work of that Church, which has been so signally blessed during the intervening years, may grow and prosper, and continue to receive that highest blessing from God which has hitherto been vouchsafed to it.

(Signed)

HENRY W. TUCKER, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to draught a suitable reply to the communication embodying the above-named resolution.

The Chair appointed as such committee the Bishops of Connecticut and Pennsylvania, the Rev. Drs. H. C. Potter and George Leeds, and Messrs. Robert C. Winthrop and J. W. Stevenson.

The Rev. Joshua Kimber, Secretary of the Board of Managers, presented and read their Triennial Report (see Appendix II. 1), together with a list of accompanying documents.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Shipman, it was

*Resolved*, That the request of the Board of Managers touching the memorial of the late Secretary of the Board, the Rev. Dr. Twing, be granted by a rising vote.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Shipman, it was

*Resolved*, That the recommendations and suggestions of the Board of Managers, as just presented by their Secretary, be made the Order of the Day for Monday next, at two o'clock.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schenck, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen, be named by the Chair to consider and report nominations for the Board of Managers for the next three years.

The Chair appointed the following Committee : —

The Bishops of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Albany, Minnesota, Oregon; the Rev. Drs. Schenck, William C. Williams, W. Tatlock, W. R. Huntington, George H. Norton; and Messrs. H. P. Baldwin, J. W. Gilbert, Hamilton Fish, James W. Woolworth, J. W. Andrews.

The Bishop of Nebraska, exercising jurisdiction in Dakota, addressed the Board.

On motion, the Board took a recess until 2 P.M.

The Board having re-assembled, the Bishop of Delaware resumed the Chair.

Hymn 284 was sung.

The Report of the Missionary Bishop of Yedo was read by the Rev. Dr. William C. Williams, of Georgia.

The Missionary Bishop of Utah addressed the Board.

The Missionary Bishop of Oregon addressed the Board.

Hymn 176 was sung.

The Missionary Bishop of Nevada addressed the Board, followed by the Missionary Bishop of Arkansas and the Indian Territory, and the Missionary Bishop of Niobrara.

On motion of the Rev. Joshua Kimber, it was

*Resolved*, That after the Benediction the Board adjourn, to meet in this place to-morrow morning at half-past ten, to hear the Reports of other Missionary Bishops, and to transact such other business as may come before it.

Hymn 190 was sung. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Delaware, and the Board adjourned.

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## SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, October 6, 1883.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Hymn 126 was sung.

The Chair announced, that, the Rev. Dr. Schenck having requested to be excused from serving on the Committee to nominate a Board of Managers, he would appoint the Rev. Dr. Lewin of Maryland in his place.

The Missionary Bishop of Colorado addressed the Board, followed by the Missionary Bishop of Western Texas and the Missionary Bishop of Northern California.

Hymn 290 was sung.

The Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas addressed the Board, followed by the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas.

The Report of the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai was presented by the Bishop of Ohio, and read at his request by the Rev. Joshua Kimber.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Beardsley, it was

*Resolved*, That after the Benediction the Board adjourn, to meet on Monday next at 11 A.M.

After singing a hymn, the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Rochester, and the Board adjourned.

### THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, October 8, 1883.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The Minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Report of the Bishop of the Church in Haiti was presented and read by the Bishop of Western New York.

In the absence of the Bishop of the Valley of Mexico, the Board was next addressed by the Missionary Bishop of New Mexico.

Hymn 171 was sung.

The Missionary Bishop of Montana addressed the House, followed by the Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory.

Hymn 191 was sung.

An address was made in the interest of the work among the coloured people of the South, by the Bishop of Alabama; after which the Board took a recess.

The Bishop of Delaware having resumed the Chair, Hymn 291 was sung.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the Order of the Day for two P.M. was suspended.

An address in the interest of the work among the coloured people of the South was made by the Bishop of North Carolina.

Hymn 299 was sung.

An address in the interest of the work of the Woman's Auxiliary was made by the Bishop of Minnesota.



On motion of the Bishop of Maine, it was

*Resolved*, That this Board heartily approve of the appointment, by its Board of Managers, of Mrs. A. T. Twing as Honorary Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary; believing that the purpose of that appointment is one of eminent importance, and that Mrs. Twing is specially qualified, by experience and a wide acquaintance with the needs of the Church, to promote the work to which she has thus been assigned.

An address was made by the Rev. Albert C. Bunn, M.D., on "The Necessity, Scope, and some of the Results, of Medical Missions in Heathen Lands."

On motion of the Bishop of Ohio, it was referred to the Committee to nominate a Board of Missions to consider and report whether it be advisable to add five Clergymen and five Laymen to the Board of Managers.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, it was resolved, that when the Board adjourns it adjourn to meet on Friday next, at 2 P.M.

On motion of the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, the subject of work among the coloured people of the South was made the special Order of the Day, immediately after the existing order is disposed of.

The Triennial Report of the American Church Building-Fund Commission was presented and read by Mr. L. Bradford Prince of New Mexico.

On motion of Mr. Prince, it was

*Resolved*, That the Resolution establishing the "American Church Building-Fund Commission" be amended by adding thereto the following clause:—

"Said Commission may receive special contributions of money for immediate disbursement in aid of church erection, in places requiring such aid, which shall be used in accordance with the terms of such contribution."

Hymn 34 was sung.

The Bishop of Delaware pronounced the Benediction; and, on motion, the Board adjourned.

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#### FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 12, 1883.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The Minutes of Monday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Mr. Birdsall presented the following statement in behalf of the deputies from the Diocese of California, with the appended resolution, which, on his motion, was adopted : —

The delegation of the Diocese of California having been called upon by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction of Northern California "to bear him out" in statements made in his address before the Board of Missions, assembled in the Church of the Holy Trinity, on Saturday, October 6, A.D. 1883, feel constrained to assert that they must add certain qualifications, if not to the direct statements of the Bishop, at least to the inferences which may not unreasonably be drawn from those statements.

*Resolved*, That the foregoing be added to the Minutes of this body.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schenck, the following recommendations of the Board of Managers were approved, viz. : —

That Canon 15, Title I., etc., should be amended so as to make the appointment of a Standing Committee in all cases imperative. And, further, that instead of "not less than two, nor more than five Presbyters," as at present, such Standing Committees in Foreign Jurisdictions, whenever practicable, should be composed partly of Clergymen and partly of Laymen. And that such Standing Committees shall have powers (so far as applicable) such as are granted to a Standing Committee under the Canons of the Digest and the Canons of the Diocese which shall have been adopted by the said Missionary Jurisdiction under the provisions of the next Sub-section [i. e., Canon 15, § viii., [8], Title I.]: The Bishop and said Standing Committee to constitute the "Local Authorities" in whom certain powers are vested by Article VI. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Also, that "Board of Missions" be changed, throughout the Digest, to "Board of Managers" where the sense requires it.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the following recommendation : —

That Title III., Canon 9, Article VI., be amended by inserting the words "and dismiss" after the word "appoint," and before the words "the Missionaries;" and that, further, it be so amended in the last line as to read, "*Subject to the approval* of the Board of Managers," instead of "*with the approval*," etc.

The Bishop of Louisiana proposed, as a substitute for the last clause, that the words "with the approval" be stricken out of the Canon.

On motion of the Missionary Bishop of Northern California, the whole matter was laid on the table.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the following proposed amendment to Title III., Canon 9, Article IV., which was adopted : —

*Strike out* "Secretaries and" from second and third lines, and insert in line eleven, after the word "number," the sentence, "The Secretaries of the

Domestic and Foreign Committees shall be entitled to a seat and voice, but not to a vote, in the Board of Managers."

The Rev. Dr. Schenck, for the Board of Managers, further moved

To change Article VII., Canon 9, Title III., by omitting all after the word "standing," to the word "or," and inserting after the word "church" in the seventh line of the Article the following: viz., "*Provided* that all such pecuniary appropriations so made shall be acknowledged to this Board, with a detailed report of the disbursement and expenditure of the same."

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman moved the following amendment:—

*Resolved*, That Article VII., of Canon 9, Title I., be amended by *striking* out the words, "of the Protestant Episcopal Church of regular standing," and *inserting* the words, "in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church or of some Church in communion with this Church."

Also by striking out the words, "making pecuniary appropriations in aid of Missions under the care of other Churches in communion with this Church, or of."

Mr. Edmunds moved postponement of the subject until the 23d of October, which was agreed to.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton, it was

*Resolved*, That a session of this Board be held on the 23d of this month, at 2 P.M., for the purpose of hearing a statement from the Mexican Commission of the House of Bishops.

The Bishop of Quincy moved that the sessions of the Board of Missions at the time of the General Convention be held in the after part of the days on which such sessions may be required by Canon or fixed by adjournment, unless by special vote the Board on any day shall otherwise appoint. The resolution was not adopted.

The Bishop of Ohio, from the Committee on nominating a Board of Managers for the ensuing three years, presented the following Report:—

They have carefully considered the subject referred to them, namely, the expediency of enlarging the number of the Board of Managers, and decided that, in their judgment, it is not expedient. They have examined the roll of the present Board, and find that there are no vacancies; the vacancies that have occurred from time to time during the past three years having been filled by the Board itself, under the canonical provisions.

They have examined the roll as to the attendance of the members of the Domestic and Foreign Committees at their monthly meetings, and find that the members of the Board of Managers, being the components of those Committees, have been more than ordinarily constant in attendance.

They therefore re-nominate the Board as it now stands, to wit:—

The Rev. H. Dyer, D.D., the Rev. George Leeds, D.D., the Rev. Henry

C. Potter, D.D., the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., the Rev. E. A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. William Tatlock, D.D., the Rev. William N. McVickar, D.D., the Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D.D., the Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D.D., the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D., the Rev. James Saul, D.D., the Rev. George Williamson Smith, S.T.D., the Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D.D., the Rev. Jacob S. Shipman, D.D., the Rev. William S. Langford, D.D., Mr. F. S. Winston, Mr. George N. Titus, Mr. Lemuel Coffin, Mr. William Scott, Mr. Benjamin Stark, Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mr. William G. Low, Mr. H. P. Baldwin, Mr. R. Fulton Cutting, Mr. Joseph W. Fuller, Mr. John A. King, Mr. C. M. Conyngham, Mr. Julien T. Davies, Mr. John H. Shoenberger, Mr. Alfred Mills.

On motion of the Bishop of Ohio, the Report was adopted, and the persons named elected the Board of Managers for the ensuing three years.

On motion, the Secretary of the late Board was authorized and instructed to call the newly elected Board together for organization.

The Presiding Bishop presented the names of those who had been appointed to serve as members of the Church Building Fund Commission for the ensuing three years.

#### MEMBERS AT LARGE.

(Appointed by the Presiding Bishop.)

The Rev. Dr. Dix, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Dyer, of New York; the Rev. Mr. Olmstead, of New York; the Rev. Mr. Leonard, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. McVickar, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Davies, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Leeds, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Battershall, of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Nicholson, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Kelley, of California; Mr. George R. Jarvis, of Long Island; Mr. L. Bradford Prince, of New Mexico; Mr. John A. King, of Long Island; Mr. William G. Low, of Long Island; Mr. Lemuel Coffin, of Pennsylvania; Mr. H. H. Houston, of Pennsylvania; Mr. J. H. Shoenberger, of Pittsburgh; Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, of New York; and Mr. George C. Bates of Delaware.

#### DIOCESAN.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, and Mr. Richard M. Nelson.  
 ALBANY. — The Rev. Mr. Cookson, and Mr. G. B. McCarter.  
 ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Mr. Tupper, and Mr. Logan H. Roots.  
 CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Dr. Beers, and Mr. John Wigmore.  
 CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Brainard, and Mr. George J. Gardner.  
 CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Mr. Baker, and Mr. Charles M. Conyngham.  
 CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Dr. Giesy, and Mr. Benjamin Stark.  
 DELAWARE. — The Rev. Mr. Douglass, and Mr. S. M. Curtis.  
 EASTON. — The Rev. Dr. Dashiell, and Mr. George R. Goldsborough.  
 FLORIDA. — The Rev. Mr. Thackara, and Mr. James J. Daniel.  
 FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Mr. Wright, and Mr. James Jenkins.  
 GEORGIA. — The Rev. Mr. Weed, and Mr. Lewis N. Whittle.  
 ILLINOIS. — The Rev. Mr. Knowles, and Mr. Emory Cobb.  
 INDIANA. — The Rev. Mr. Faudé, and Mr. William H. Morrison.  
 IOWA. — Mr. George J. Boal.  
 KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and Mr. A. S. Otis.

- KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Dr. Tidball, and Mr. R. A. Robinson.  
 LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Schenck, and Mr. H. E. Pierrepont.  
 LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Mr. Waters, and Mr. Carleton Hunt.  
 MAINE. — The Rev. Mr. Bradley, and Mr. E. H. Gardiner.  
 MARYLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Fair, and Mr. William Keyser.  
 MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Dr. Huntington, and Mr. George C. Shattuck.  
 MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Clark, and Mr. H. P. Baldwin.  
 MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. W. L. Merriam.  
 MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Mr. Marks, and Mr. P. P. Bailey.  
 MISSOURI. — The Rev. Dr. Runcie, and Mr. J. J. Wilkins.  
 NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Mr. Millspaugh, and Mr. J. M. Woolworth.  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Mr. Beard, and Mr. George L. Balcom.  
 NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Dr. Langford, and Mr. George C. Hance.  
 NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, and Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry.  
 NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Dr. Watson, and Mr. John Manning.  
 NORTHERN NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Dr. Eccleston, and Mr. Henry ayes.  
 OHIO. — The Rev. Dr. Burton, and Mr. Augustus H. Moss.  
 PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Dr. Buchanan, and Mr. W. W. Frazier, jun.  
 PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Mr. Vincent, and Mr. J. W. Paul.  
 QUINCY. — The Rev. Dr. Leffingwell, and Mr. Victor H. Webb.  
 RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Dr. Henshaw, and Mr. John H. Stiness.  
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Dr. Porter, and Mr. H. C. Markley.  
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Mr. Webster, and Mr. J. W. Andrews.  
 SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Mr. Simpson, and Mr. H. H. Candee.  
 TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Mr. Orgain, and Mr. H. H. Lurton.  
 TEXAS. — The Rev. Mr. Parkman, and Mr. G. W. Jackson.  
 VERMONT. — The Rev. Mr. Collins, and Mr. Charles Clement.  
 VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Dr. Hanckel, and Mr. H. W. Sheffey.  
 WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Mr. Gibson, and Mr. William P. Craig-hill.  
 WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Bancroft, and Mr. W. R. Shelby.  
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Rankine, and Mr. James M. Smith.  
 WISCONSIN. — The Rev. Mr. Royce, and Mr. J. B. Doe.  
 COLORADO. — The Rev. Mr. Sorenson, and Mr. John S. Moody.  
 DAKOTA. — The Rev. Dr. Hoyt, and Mr. J. L. Pennington.  
 MONTANA. — The Rev. Mr. Blackiston, and Mr. S. J. Jones.  
 NEVADA. — The Rev. Mr. Eastman, and Mr. C. H. Osborne.  
 NEW MEXICO. — The Rev. Mr. Forrester, and Mr. W. C. Hazledine.  
 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Mr. Leacock, and Mr. Thomas Walsh.  
 NORTHERN TEXAS. — The Rev. Mr. Greene, and Mr. R. Morgan, jun.  
 OREGON. — The Rev. Mr. Sellwood, and Mr. J. H. Eaton.  
 UTAH. — The Rev. Mr. Unsworth, and Mr. George M. Scott.  
 WASHINGTON. — The Rev. Mr. Watson, and Mr. J. F. Boyer.  
 WESTERN TEXAS. — The Rev. Mr. Richardson, and Mr. C. C. Augur.

On motion of Rev. J. Kimber, the Chairman was requested to offer the Prayer for Persons gone to Sea, in behalf of several of the missionaries of the Board about to sail for their foreign fields.

After prayer by the Chairman, the Benediction was pronounced, and the Board adjourned.

## FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, October 23, 1883.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Delaware in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Shipman, Mr. James M. Brown was elected Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to perform such duties as cannot be performed by the Treasurers of the Domestic and Foreign Committees; the Board of Managers to have power to fill a vacancy, should it occur.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. G. W. Smith, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:—

WHEREAS, Since the election of a Board of Managers on the fourth day of the session of this body, a vacancy has been made in the said Board by the elevation of the Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D., LL.D., to the Episcopate; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Nominations heretofore charged with the subject be given permission to retire, in order that they may, during this day's proceedings, nominate to the Board of Missions a suitable person to fill the said vacancy.

The Bishop presiding having called the Missionary Bishop of Utah to the Chair, the Bishop of Albany, Secretary of the Mexican Commission, presented the following statement of the acts of the Mexican Commission:—

On October 22, 1880, the Commission prepared a full statement of their acts up to that date; which statement was subsequently published in the Journal of the Convention of 1880; a portion thereof, which was inadvertently and unfortunately omitted, being published in "The Spirit of Missions" of May, 1883, and is in possession of the Church.

Subsequently, during the year 1881, increasing dissatisfaction was felt by the Commission in reference to the conduct of affairs in Mexico; and a letter respecting it was sent to the General Synod of the Church of Jesus, through Rev. I. W. Hernandez, its Secretary. At the same time (December 15, 1881), a statement was sent to the Sub-Committee of the Foreign Committee, with the understanding that it should be made public.

In October, 1882, the Commission, finding itself still without sufficient information as to the fulfilment, on the part of the Church in Mexico, of conditions on which the consecration of Bishop Riley had been granted, expressed to him, in strong terms, the opinion that this Church cannot and ought not to be called on to support the work in Mexico through the authorities of the Church of Jesus, until the Commission shall have been assured that all the requirements of the Covenant have been met, especially with regard to the completion of the Liturgy. The Commission still further expressed to Bishop Riley their unanimous feeling of dissatisfaction, and requested his immediate presence in New York



In response, Bishop Riley met the Commission on December 12, 1882. There were also present the Rev. P. G. Hernandez, at our request, and the Rev. C. E. Butler, who acted as interpreter.

At that meeting, and on subsequent days, the Commission considered a protest, presented to them by certain Presbyters and other members of the Church of Jesus, against the alleged election of a Bishop of the Diocese of the city of Mexico, and against certain other acts of the Synod. After careful consideration, the Commission sustained the protest in its most important aspects; but determined, that, under the difficulties in which they found themselves in respect to full and explicit information as to the affairs of the Church of Mexico within their authority, it would be expedient to appoint a committee to proceed to Mexico, to investigate the facts at issue, and to report to the Commission. The Right Rev. Dr. Elliott and the Rev. Mr. Flichtner were so appointed, and proceeded on their mission. The Commission put on record their grateful recognition of the faithfulness with which that Committee discharged their duty at great cost of labour and travel, and under circumstances of extreme delicacy and difficulty.

It is due to Bishop Riley to record, that on the 13th of December, 1882, the Commission resolved as follows: that "Bishop Riley stands unimpeached before the Church; that nothing more serious than questions of wisdom in organization and prudence in administration under very grave difficulties have deserved notice; and that the record shows great self-sacrifice and earnest devotion, on the part of Bishop Riley, to the work." At the same time a letter of counsel was sent to the Bishop, touching several points of his administration.

It is a subject of deep regret to the Commission, that on the report of the Committee of Investigation, alluded to above, they have been obliged to modify the favourable opinion thus expressed. The report of that committee has been laid before the House of Bishops.

A meeting of the Commission was called for June 29, 1883, to take into consideration the report of the Visiting Committee, and determine what action should be taken. Through Providential hinderances, no quorum could be had on the day appointed; but the members present acted provisionally, and the Chairman subsequently wrote to Bishop Riley as follows:—

WILMINGTON, DEL., July 10, 1883

RIGHT REV. H. C. RILEY, D.D.

*My Dear Bishop Riley,*—The report made to the Mexican Commission by the Committee of Investigation, Bishop Elliott and the Rev. George E. Flichtner, has occasioned us no little pain and anxiety. As things appear at present, I fear that the House of Bishops will consider that the covenant between the two Churches has not been adhered to and carried out by the Mexican, and is therefore annulled; and, if the work is to be still carried on in Mexico, the Bishops may decide to place it on the footing of a Foreign Mission. With your own course there is great dissatisfaction, especially in the following particulars:—

1. Apparent want of open and ingenuous dealing in regard to the Liturgy. We have seen such statements as would seem to indicate, that, while professing to be desirous of presenting a Liturgy that would be satisfactory, you were actually hindering its completion; also, that such Offices as were approved by the Commission had not been put into use.

2. Apparent misappropriation of funds. Against the withholding of the stipends of certain missionaries and labourers, you will remember that I strongly remonstrated. It now appears that the "Protest," or promise of obedience to the acts of General Synod (so called), of September, 1882, could not lawfully be required; the Synod itself being illegal, and the acts thereof, as well as the election of Gonzalez, invalid. The recusants were, therefore

justified in declining to subscribe to it. But we are especially pained to learn that the amount of the stipends thus wrongfully withheld has been distributed among persons, mostly attached to the Cathedral, who were already receiving salaries. These appropriations seem to us, for the most part, extravagant. Few of our own large city congregations lavish more on music and *et ceteras* than the amount thus expended. The means to sustain the Mexican work are obtained from our poor churches as well as from the affluent, by urgent appeals, and ought to be applied with the strictest economy. We cannot, with a good conscience, come before the Church, and ask for contributions, unless satisfied there is no waste or partiality in the disbursement.

3. We were surprised and grieved to learn that several of your congregations in the Diocese of the Valley of Mexico have never had an Episcopal visitation. So far as we can judge, the number of worshippers in the city churches, exclusive of schools, scarcely equals the number attending in 1875. Has there been systematic and faithful pastoral visiting?

4. We do not perceive the necessity of establishing a new orphanage for girls, and learn that the manner of conducting it gives occasion (we do not say justly) to scandal. Also, we learn that some of those on the list of stipendiaries are not persons of unblemished character, to the great detriment of the work. The report speaks very favourably of Mrs. Hooker's Orphanage, the work at Napala and vicinity, and especially among the Indians, and the influence of the Society for Protection of Children.

In regard to the points above specified, I shall be happy to receive from you any explanations you may wish to present. No one would rejoice more than I, if your conduct and the Mexican work can be relieved from such imputations as are likely to be cast upon it. But we must deal plainly and truthfully with the whole matter. If it gives you pain to read this letter, it gives me no less to write it. Your friends here have had to bear no small amount of blame and reproach for their share in this work, and they owe it to themselves and to the Church to be outspoken and candid.

Yours faithfully,

ALFRED LEE.

When the Commission held its next meeting on the 25th of September, no answer had been received to the above letter, which was formally adopted by a vote of the Commission. Thereupon a telegraphic message was sent to Bishop Riley, stating that the Commission had now accepted the letter of the Chairman of July 10, and urgently requested, for his own sake, his presence in Philadelphia on the 18th of October following, before the Temporary Board of Administration provided for in Article III. of the Covenant.

A letter did arrive from Bishop Riley, through his Secretary, A. G. MacIntosh, on the 13th of October, dated September 26, containing his answer to the letter of July 10; which answer was not satisfactory to the Commission. On the 16th of October a telegraphic message was received from Mr. MacIntosh, stating that Bishop Riley could not leave his work at such short notice, and asking whether it was still desired that he should come.

On the 18th of October the members of the Commission met as "The Board of Administration for the Episcopal Government of the Mexican Church;" when, after consideration of the facts brought to its knowledge by the report of the Visiting Committee, the unsatisfactory character of Bishop Riley's answer to the communication sent to him on behalf of the Commission, the irregularities of his administration, the present unhappy and divided condition of the Mexican Church, and the diminution of confidence felt in our own Church, the Board concluded that the work in Mexico could no longer be carried on under Bishop Riley's direction and superintendence. A resolution was therefore adopted, that a telegraphic message be sent to him, requesting him to resign his jurisdiction, and retire from the work

This message was accordingly sent on the 19th of October. To this message, the following answer has arrived:—

“Antonio Cadrion takes the general charge of the Mexican Church.

“(signed)

A. G. MACINTOSH.”

which would seem to indicate that Bishop Riley has followed the request of the Commission, and retires from the work.

The Commission are deeply impressed with the lack of executive ability, with the loose and irregular method of keeping his accounts, and with the apparent want of economy in expenditures, which seem to have characterized his business affairs.

At the same time, it is due to Bishop Riley to say that the mission has for years been supported, to a considerable extent, by funds beyond the appropriations of the Board of Missions here; and this excess has been supplied (with the exception of some few contributions from abroad) from the Bishop's own private funds.

The Commission having acted on the point which comes within their purview, namely, the connection of Bishop Riley with the work of Mexico, and expressed their judgment of his unfitness to direct that work, have done what in them lies to correct one chief difficulty, having received his answer, must take counsel with the brethren before addressing themselves to any further remedy.

They have no question as to the duty of this Church to devise some method of continuing the reform movement in Mexico, but are not prepared to suggest what that method shall be.

With the question of appropriations, the Commission do not deal; partly because that matter is not in their charge, and partly because the action taken in both Houses to amend the Article of the Constitution of the Board of Missions relating to appropriations makes it unnecessary.

The Commission, in conclusion, cannot but declare, that, notwithstanding so many obstacles, there exists to-day a field of spiritual work in Mexico of great promise, if properly taken hold of and placed under the supervisory care of wise administrators.

We ought not to lose all that has been accomplished through the labours of years of sacrifice and toil. If the hay and the wood and the stubble have to be removed, yet the foundations are there; and on them wise master-builders may yet erect missions that shall become great living forces in the regeneration of Mexico.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of the House of Bishops:—

OCTOBER 23, 1883.

*To the Secretaries of the Board of Missions:—*

I am directed to communicate to you, for the information of the Board of Missions, the following action of this House, had this morning, viz.:—

The House has, by a unanimous vote, adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That this House of Bishops approve of the action of the Commission of this House, in requesting the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Bishop of the Valley of Mexico.

It has also adopted the following resolution, viz.:—

*Resolved*, That this House earnestly recommends to the Board of Missions that mission-work in Mexico be carried forward.

Faithfully yours,

W. TATLOCK, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Fulton presented the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society be in-

structed to consider the state of affairs in the Church of Jesus in Mexico, and take such action as they may think advisable in the premises.

The Rev. Dr. Schenck offered the following amendment, which was not adopted:—

*Resolved*, That a Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be created, for the purpose of ascertaining what changes are necessary to be made in the Missionary Canon, to enable the Board of Managers to make appropriations to certain mission-stations in Churches in foreign lands.

The Rev. Mr. Moffett offered the following amendment:—

*Resolved*, That, until satisfactory information be obtained concerning the work in the Valley of Mexico, no financial aid be afforded to that work.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp, the whole subject was laid on the table.

The Nominating Committee presented the name of the Rev. Cornelius E. Swope, D.D., to fill the vacancy in the Board of Managers occasioned by the consecration of the Rev. Dr. H. C. Potter to the Episcopate.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

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## SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, October 26, 1883.

The Board met pursuant to concurrent resolution of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, the Bishop of Pennsylvania in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Bishop presiding appointed, as additional Vice-Presidents of the American Church Building Fund Commission, the Bishops of Albany, Western Michigan, and Pittsburgh.

On motion, the Board adjourned *sine die*.

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop Presiding.*

E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY,

*President of the House of Deputies.*

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

*Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

JOSHUA KIMBER,

*Secretary of the Foreign Committee.*

GEORGE E. FLICHTNER,

*Secretary of the Domestic Committee.*

# THE PASTORAL LETTER.

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DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

Our General Convention closes with signal tokens of the favor of God. His mercies have not been prevented by the " manifold infirmities " of its members or any waste of His grace. We go to our several posts of service grateful that our bonds of brotherhood in Christ have been confirmed, the extent and power of our missions enlarged beyond precedent, and our hopes of a lasting future unity in Christendom encouraged. We shall all count it a religious gain if something has been done to add richness and majesty to the public worship of the Most High.

While mourning the absence of revered Fathers and Brothers resting in Paradise, and while regretting that some of our number have been kept away from our counsels by bodily weakness, we remember with devout thankfulness those who, having been constant to the end, have departed in God's faith and fear, and we affectionately commend the sick, the aged, and the bereaved to His tender compassion.

No record of the past holds out a promise of a perfect balance, in ecclesiastical legislation, between loyalty to Unalterable Truth and a due regard to what is variable but none the less actual in the needs of society. To the law-maker, the theologian and the pastor alike it must always cost an effort to adjust in a satisfying harmony the contending claims of old with new, uncompromising creeds with honest movements of religious thought, the constitution and verities of a kingdom which can never change with those inferences from fixed standards which must inevitably shift with periods and degrees of knowledge, within the wide limits of the mind of a Race made by the All-wise and visited by the Holy Ghost. Many of the most perplexing problems before us centre in this conflict. Not a few of the



most serious perils that threaten both the faith and the life of the Church arise from it; for the life can never be separated from the faith.

Set in this strife, we cannot do better than to plant our feet in fresh confidence on that foundation which is subject to no mutations of time, or climate, or social circumstance, or scientific discovery, or philosophic speculation. We have a Church-charter, thanks be to God, as intelligible as it is indisputable.

We stand on the fundamental and all-including truth revealed as throughout the Scriptures so especially at the beginning of the Gospel of the Blessed Evangelist St. John. Central in the mysteries of the Faith, central in the order of Divine disclosures, central in the body of Doctrine forever to be taught to men as the only guide to their salvation, is the Fact of the Word made Flesh and coming to dwell among us. In it abides all that is old; out of it must come all that is new. Declared at first in the face of intellectual subtleties singularly keen and delusive, it still opposes to the negations and vanities of modern disbelief the only effectual barrier, in a three-fold form—in Scriptural authority, in the highest and purest reason, in the deepest spiritual intuitions of the soul. There are involved in it the primal elements of all Divine knowledge—the Fatherhood of God, the moral necessity of redemption, the perpetual energy of the Divine Life forthgoing into all the generations and peoples of mankind. What man wanted was reconciliation with the Infinite goodness, wisdom and justice above him. It was not to be found, as rationalism irrationally imagines, among the abstractions of his own mind, or the works of his own hand—a one-sided atonement, a mediation without a daysman, elevation with no lifting power. The Incarnation *includes* Atonement as it includes every Article of the Creeds, every ministration of grace, all the forces and functions of the living Body of Christ. Out of it proceed the only infallible rule of personal duty, the only absolute morality, the only unification and completeness of society, all liturgies, all orders of service, all healing charities. When these are seen flowing from the unity of the single but two-fold person of the Son of God and Son of Man, bringing down from on High in a heavenly manner to all believers unspeakable and yet most



practical gifts, in mystical sacraments, in holy offices, in common worship, with ordered work wrought by consecrated women and men, the Kingdom of Heaven will be recognized as the refuge of the world. The universal heart is deceitful; but it was made for God. When prodigals of the senses, or prodigals of the mind, come to themselves, they come to Him; and they expect to find Him in His House. As we watch the drift of the best thinking among brethren differing from us, and from one another, we see, in a clear apprehension among them of this fontal truth the promise of a rectification of much disproportioned theology.

Were there no better language it might be said that the Church Catholic, with all that belongs to it, is the logic of events; the sure deduction of history from the birth of the Eternally Begotten of the womb of the Virgin. Better language there is. We are not in the sphere of dialectics. The Gospel is not a philosophy. The Church is not discovered at the end of a line of argument any more than by a telescope or a crucible. Personal power rules in the realm of spiritual things, as in institutions and reformations on the earth. Not in airy generalities, reactions from a virtual tri-theism, any more than by ancient heresies and half-heresies, can the truth of the tri-unity of God be preached, but only by the clear affirmations in the old symbols, setting before both the mind and the heart of man PERSONS to be loved and adored—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Not by misty conceptions of a mere Messiah of humanity will penitents obtain pardon and peace, or the world, the flesh and the devil be subdued, but only by the cross of Christ standing where our Good Friday and our Eucharist and our Articles behold it. Not by ingenious intermixtures of uncertified miracles, nineteenth century creeds, and a concordat of evangelical volunteers will orthodoxy and liberty, law and love, the old things and the new things of the instructed scribe be maintained together, but by loyalty to the one Prophet, Priest and King. “Ye call me Master and Lord, and ye say well, for so I am.” The Lord knew. The Master then is the Master still; the Lord of Israel is the Lord of America; for He and the Father are One. Let His Ministers be not afraid

to proclaim the Incarnate God, or kneeling congregations be ashamed to adore Him. Superficial thinkers meaning to be progressive decry doctrine. That will be wise only when men cease to live in the long run as they believe, when a good or a bad life is not the expression of the man, and character everywhere the fruit of a faith.

Apart from the doctrine of the Divine Sonship of the Son of Man there is no tenable doctrine of the authority of the Scriptures. In the spiritual order, that first chapter of St. John is the beginning of the Bible, and we read the Bible both ways from that august opening. An arrangement broadly chronological is a convenience; the one we have by the Canon is sufficiently sanctioned; but the real object of Revelation places us first where we learn that God manifest in the flesh was in the beginning with God and was God. As the living Word was in the beginning, so the beginning of the written Word is in the sacred lessons of the Nativity. Bewilderment and fatuity about inspiration are not in the least surprising in minds that are bewildered about Him who is the Seed of the woman, before all worlds, the Omega as well as the Alpha. They come to the whole matter from without. Vision and belief are for those who come to it from within, and who see, as the Church sees, that the several portions of the wondrous Book have both their authority and their value in belonging to one whole. The oneness of that whole is in Him for whom and of whom it was originally recorded, whose mediatorial person and ministry are at once the theme of Genesis and the Apocalypse, of Prophets, Psalms and Chronicles, of Evangelists and Epistles, God's Christly Providence having brought and bound the several writings together out of distant centuries and countries, by their interior unity, just as He has made creation one, and the Church one, each a kind of universe in itself, stamping the whole as one Bible by making it, before and after, the story of the Bridegroom and the Bride. In that vast conception a thousand trivial difficulties, literal and critical, are harmonized or vanish. Who finds it a fault in a Cathedral that there is a block or brace somewhere in it, of which his untaught eye does not see the relation to the main arch or to the altar? Who carps and sneers at nature because

she hides in her great chambers little things or strange things whereof science itself cannot divine the use, or any artist expound the fitness or the beauty? Are you afraid of "the letter that killeth?" There are two ways of dealing with that. One is to kill the letter or tear it out—the way of the savage. The other is to seek the life within, which took the letter for its body—the way of the disciple. A reverent scrutiny of documents and a searching criticism of what is human in grammar, arithmetic or version, are a part of the Church's proper business, and belong to her scho'ars. But it is now a seasonable time to mind the difference between using scholarship lawfully, and being used by those outlaw scholars who hunt after unnatural interpretations to support foregone conclusions. Cut the Old Testament and New apart if you will; it will be easy afterwards to cut the Old or the New to pieces, and scatter the pieces on the winds; but the New still lies latent in the Old, and the Old patent in the New, as a greater student of these "lively oracles" than we are likely to meet in our thoroughfares long ago declared, and neither one, the Old or the New, would you ever have had without the other. Modern heterodoxy, whatever be the special defection, goes along with a reckless handling of Scriptural testimony. The old heretics tried to live with the Bible by outwitting its fair interpreters, but were beaten. Our Anglican Fathers knew what they did when they placed the Article of the Sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation next after the Articles of the Trinity; and they did not mean that the rule whereby all doctrines are to be "infallibly proved" is itself fallible, or is yet to be proved. Men misunderstand and then discredit Scripture because they never understood the Witness, the Keeper, the Church, and the Church's teachableness to her Lord. He opens the Heavens; the Bible holds them open to our eyes; the Church keeps the channels open whereby gifts and messages come and go. Over the pastures of the Patriarchs and before the Seer at Patmos alike theophanies break through the sky; angels of all the covenants ascend and descend upon the Son of Man, seen of those angels, justified in the Spirit, believed on in the world, preached unto the Gentiles, received up into glory.

See then how three great certainties in our Religion are fixed, beyond all novelties of development, popular expectations of "progress," or risks of revolution. Once for all, in the second Adam, the life of God descended in the fulness of a new creation into the life of mankind. The canon of prophetic and evangelic Scriptures, divinely inspired and attested, is closed. The constitution of the Body of Christ, vitally endowed at Pentecost, and visibly completed through Apostles, admits no amendment.

And yet we here, Christians of this day, in this late year of our Lord, not having to go or to wait for salvation, not having to re-write Bible or Creed, to make a Sacrament, or commission a Ministry, are yet in the midst of moving scenes. We are on a field of restless forces, under orders to watch and march and contend. From the fulness in Christ we are to draw further supplies of grace. Out of fathomless depths of light in His revealed Word we are to expect fresh illuminations. In the great harvest which He has sown we are to labor, reap and gather for Him, with tools not cast after any stereotyped pattern. Let us be reminded that in the first Christian Council, nearest to Pentecost, the question was strictly a question of "the times;" the first conciliar legislation touched a matter non-essential to the Faith, but essential to enlargement, peace and unity; the first conciliar decrees, drawn up under the breath of the Holy Ghost and the seal of Apostles, threw open by baptism and ordination to large companies of men of very unlike antecedents the door of a cordial comprehension. We will remember this, if, in the hopeful possibilities of these eventful days, any serious society of our fellow-men anywhere having already evangelic truth should ask of us the blessing of Apostolic Order. To take men and things as they are, in order to make them what they ought to be, is the statesmanship of common sense. To ignore facts or be dainty in accommodation, in order to revel in a theory, is the insanity of the doctrinaire. The Head of the Church permits us the comfort of observing cheering signs, as that, all over the country when thoughtful minds now pass out of their own religious belongings, on a revision of their claims, they pass far less frequently from one to another of these voluntary societies than from all of them

to our Household; as that lately, more than ever before, one feature after another in the Apostolic system, with the logical coherency of them all, is found acceptable to our lately jealous neighbors. Will it not be reasonable also for us candidly to acknowledge that there is among them a zeal for God, a fervor of piety, a quick sagacity to discern religious opportunities, a consecration of property, at once estimable and imitable? We had better confess, for instance, that on the score of theological education, in ample libraries, in strong endowments, in multiplying branches of research, in an even pace with the best students abroad, we have no boasts whatever to make before one, if not two or three, of the Christian bodies working and worshipping at our side; in fact, nothing at all worthy of our superior heritage and traditions.

Under the same double law, of permanence and movement, the Church finds the motive and the joy of her missionary action. "As the Father hath sent Me, so send I you." Foreign Missions, Home Missions, missions to men of any tongue or color, are but the unfolding and spreading of the power of the one Incarnate Life. That is universal, and so must our missions be. That is endless, and so must the travels of our missionaries be. There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek. Humanity dead or dying in sin is always the "foreign" land. All souls covenanted and nourished in the Church are at "home" with the Elder Brother. At the Convention now closing, unprecedented reports of evangelizing toil have stirred our hearts. Strong voices have told us of bold enterprises. Openings, so vast that our weak faith hardly knows whether they must arouse or discourage us, have been exposed all over the earth. If results are out of all proportion to the Lord's commission, and our sacrifices to the glory set before us, may it not be partly because we let the charity of Christ be covered up under secondary reasons closer to our own interests? May it not be partly because we regard numbers and dimensions, social security, trophies of our own "net and drag," more than the Saviour's honor; put forward our cause as being ours, and forget to weigh the incalculable difference between a soul saved and a soul lost? Must there not be some such illusion to account for the shameful selfishness



and the wicked disobedience, which in hundreds of whole Parishes and tens of thousands of baptized persons hold back offerings from Christ, for the conversion of those for whom He died? The reproach of it is guilty enough to make men wonder that God does not remove the flameless candlestick out of its place. . Animate the enthusiasm of our assemblies as you please, by large figures or jubilant bulletins, there have been no great aggressive movements, no saintly leaders of them, east or west, north or south, save as the patient, pathetic love of Christ constrained them.

Within twenty years, and never more conspicuously than since our last Triennial meeting, this Church has been awakened to increased practical sympathy with the weaker and suffering classes; victims of social wrong, of unequal laws, of intemperance in drinks and an unscrupulous traffic in them, and sometimes of merciless wealth. There is such a thing as a spirit of the age; and under its sway cruelty to men's bodies and public violations of their rights in civilized nations have yielded to a gentler code. A study of this popular philanthropy, however, discovers in its liberal operation some ingredients of weakness—secularism, self-will, irreverence, intolerance, a bitter partisanship. It is the office of the Church, led by a supernatural direction, venerating law, heeding the due equipoise between emotion and principle, to raise natural benevolence into Divine charity. To call those generous reformatory Christless would be unfair; the love of Christ is in them. What they lack is what Christ has offered to provide through the ordinances and offices of the Heavenly Kingdom He has set up, and the orderly streams of sweet and saving life in His organic Body, so that the members shall never be separated from the Head. Conceive this to be done throughout all the crude combinations that are started every day to better our kind, and what hallowed dignity and grace would invest them! Then, faith would indeed be seen working by love; the outcast and alien and captive, the overtasked and underpaid, would learn to love and bless the Ministry which they have cursed, hated or misconceived; capital and labor might worship side by side; jealous and destructive schemes of communism might find in the New Testament and in



the equal blessings of the altar, for themselves and their families a fraternity better than that which has haunted their feverish dreams. Whether by Religious Societies, devoted Brotherhoods, Sisterhoods, Leagues and Guilds, Hospitals and Asylums, under lawful guidance, or in individual care for the infirm and poor, the One Life that is the Great Light of men would shine on the faces of those who have sat in the shadow of death. By the ennobling pity in Christ His servants are taught not to aggravate poverty by indiscriminate indulgence, not to foster an independence which thinks itself independent of God, not to promote crime by petting the criminal, not to inflate ignorance or discontent by flattery, but rather to offer to the children of real misfortune, because their dignity is that of sons and daughters of the Almighty, such help as is manly and godly, creating character more than comfort, and citizenship in the kingdom of God rather than any political privilege. In the action of this Convention, taking measures to provide a Christian care for the immense mass of European emigrants daily arriving at our sea-ports and lake-ports, and distributed over the Continent, there is pointed out a line of usefulness peculiar to our condition, open to clergy and laity alike. For the success of many safe schemes of sanitary relief and reform we have a comfortable guaranty in humane tendencies that have become popular. A dreary conservatism it would be that would take off our hands from helping them, in any nervous fear. We may better covet the honor of being foremost in them. Their principle is not modern. "Fair humanities," bloomed and bore fruit in "old religion." Jesus of Nazareth was thoughtful for the bodily hunger of the multitude on the mountain-side while He was feeding their souls with meat that they had known not of. He loosened the bandages from the body of Lazarus, while the people were marvelling at the miracle that raised him from the dead.

In every class the springs of all morality are tainted by the desecration of marriage-vows. To defile the homes of a nation is to barbarize it. The purity of family life and thence of social life subsisting only in the sanctity of wedlock, the true obligations of that covenant are found only in the teaching which presents the rule of its nature in the mystical union between

Christ and His Church. Whatever may be accomplished by secular alarm or policy in checking divorce, there must be a more searching remedy. It must be a profounder force that regulates the passions and judgment in forming and protecting the marital tie itself, chastening not only its form but its spirit. Wretched households and broken matrimonial pledges come of flighty engagements, an absence of all seriousness from the most solemn of all human steps, immodest publicity in the lives of boys and girls in streets and public houses, the abnegation of parental control, or the rejection of it by juvenile insubordination. In nearly all our cities and large towns the sidewalks after night-fall are alive with gay but ominous presages of social degeneration. There can hardly fail to be before long a general effort to supplant with pure but entertaining reading the ruinous publications that are poisoning readers of all ranks—a literature of divorce, of seduction, of adultery, of moral death. The pulpit has its responsibility; special combinations may do something; but far more is to be done by breeding pure manners and guarded thoughts in young children through the instructions of mothers and fathers in dwellings where daily domestic prayers quicken the conscience and cleanse the heart.

Frightful statistics have lately shown how carefully the public school system needs to be watched, how utterly inefficient a mere book knowledge is to forestall vice or crime. Loose notions of doctrine and duty may creep into the air as well by untaught teachers in a Sunday School, where the Rector has abandoned the trust of his ordination to well-meaning incompetence, as by the sophistries of some audacious author or preacher who publishes his destructive fancies in a romance or a sermon. In these primary Seminaries of the Church there is room not only for more definite tuition and a stricter attention from the Clergy, but for a personal participation in them on the part of learned laymen, of standing however high, of business however urgent, men of affairs and professions, Christian gentlemen without shamefacedness or self-indulgence, such as may be seen now and then in some parish in old England, where the Minister of religion has for his lay reader and catechist a Minister of State. Service for Christ to the young, like that, lends robustness to the

manhood of the manliest of men. At best, however, one hour of the seven days can never suffice for the education of a Christian child. Parish School, academy, college, university,—our whole educational system, cry out for invigoration. If we mean to keep our children in Church Schools and Colleges, the direct way is to build schools and colleges of such incomparable intellectual resources that our most aspiring students cannot afford to turn away from them. We advise that public and secret prayers be statedly offered for their officers and pupils. Great respect is due to men and women of wealth who found or endow such seats of superior learning in any grade.

With Americans, foremost among all passions, not sensual, is the passion for knowledge, knowledge of certain kinds. If we are wise-hearted as well as wise-minded, we shall seize on that ambition and convert it to Christianity, to Christ. Already time has brought a reasonable end to that factitious quarrel between science and faith, which only a little while ago disturbed so many minds, the reconciliation of these foolishly alienated creatures of God consisting in so simple a remedy as the discrimination of their spheres.

Thinking and studying men who are also believers are everywhere looking for grounds of Christian unity. It is a glorious hope of our time. We hold that the vantage ground is with us, because experience, Christ's words and right reason affirm together that unity must appear if at all by growth from a historic root, not by a construction or welding of platforms. Recently, as a fit prelude to broader affiliations, the fellowship between the Mother Church and ourselves has been made more vital and more conscious than ever before, notably by the welcome visits of beloved Brethren of the English Bench to our councils and our homes. For three early centuries and more the organs of the one Body and one Life acted under the Divine law without the corruption of a formal political alliance. Now, after fourteen hundred years of more or less complication, here, on this soil, the same Church, retaining its identity, lives and breathes, worships and works, with independent force and in a free air. Not a Church of the State, we are coeval and in signal agreement with the life of the Republic. A century of prosper-

ous existence is almost rounded out, with a record too favorable to leave us thankless, too scanty in triumphs of holiness to allow a syllable of self-praise. The figures are familiar. The Committee on the State of the Church reports them. The Centennial Festival has been worthily celebrated. This Convention, with its two full Houses, certifies nobly to what God has wrought with His own hands. A Church below and Militant must always look for re-assurance less to her deeds than to her credentials. Looking there, why should she not move forward with unprecedented confidence? We have stated as clearly as we could the unifying principle. What body of Christian people can produce one that is stronger, older, wider, more evangelical? Certainly not the whole procession of Latin princes and captains. Certainly not any association since the reign of Constantine, or bearing any mortal name. Surely the very best sign we have of a coming harmony among disciples, in belief or practical religion, is an intensified interest on the part of nearly every denomination, in the Person, Christ, in His character and biography, in His humanity, in His spiritual leadership and supremacy among mankind. So far the true point of universal attraction is determined. Can it be denied that the seething ingredients of American society require something in religion more positive, binding, concrete, reverential and majestic than all modern inventions furnish? Should these convictions seem presumptuous, they are on trial; if they are vain they must perish. If they shall be followed, however gradually, by that Catholic oneness for which the Redeemer prayed in His sacrificial intercession, then, "Not unto us, not unto us, but unto Thy name, O Lord, give glory!"

Against these powers of Light we are obliged to see rising on every side two terrible adversaries. One is a fashion of skepticism, not disbelief perhaps, not formulated infidelity or coarse profanity, a fashion of humanizing things Divine instead of taking them in their superhuman title and splendor, and using them just as Revelation presents them; a disposition to regard religion as a human husbandry, not a descending gift from God; the soul as a germinating plant, self-planted; the Church as a rather loosely formed sodality, having only optional and volun-

tary exercises; worship as a fine art; faith as what is left in man after the brain, mammon and luxury have taken what they want; Christian theology as a science of nine or ten comparative religions, grouping Christianity in a species with the rest; and our Lord as the most remarkable spiritual genius hitherto, a wondrous child of the ages. You are all confronted by dazed apostles of a belated "Gospel of to-day," a gospel without an angelic hymn, without a Messiah from Heaven, without miracles of grace, without a Gethsemane, a cross, precious blood or the resurrection; and by empty prophets of a "Church of the future" which no Heavenly wisdom shapes, into which no Eternal Advocate breathes His Life; as if any Church of the future must not be the Church of the past, because the Church of Him who does not live in time, but in whom time, the ages and all worlds are forever held.

The other foe is a self-satisfied, engrossing worldliness. There need be no vagueness about the meaning of that name—the world. There are two kingdoms, only two, and this is the kingdom that is not Christ's. On His lips "the world" means neither the world of outward nature, which God created, nor the world of common men, whom He so loves that He gave His Son to save them—neither business pursuits nor rational recreation—neither honest property nor artistic beauty. Let there be no quibble. We are at our Master's feet, and Him the world crucified. In the world itself it is a stupid affectation that pretends not to know what worldliness is in the life of man or woman. If it tried and failed to beguile, secularize and overcome its King, it will try here and everywhere to beguile and secularize and overcome His Church. Wherever the Church is true to Him, the world will fail still. To be true to Him in the midst of the world is precisely, always, everywhere, the Church's calling. The world has not altered a whit. Its temper, tyranny, meanness, lying, are now just what they were then, no matter what changes there have been in the houses it lives in, the clothes it wears, the language it speaks in, the dishes it cooks or the wines it drinks. Cæsar and Herod and their queens do not make the world; the world makes them, and it makes them over and over again wherever it can spread its seductions or



work the charm of its sorcery. The Demas who becomes a bad Christian to-day, who cares more for his social position than for Heaven, who goes more eagerly to a frolic or a theatre than to a sacrament, who worships the God who made him less heartily than he does the fortune he has made, and gives fifty times as much to his amusements as to his Saviour, is the same man that forsook St. Paul and departed to Thessalonica "having loved this present world." Materialism is of many kinds, gross with gross natures, but keen, calculating, polished, in men of fine sensibilities and exquisite tastes. While certain loftier attributes of humanity, like magnanimity, charity, self-sacrifice, wonder, faith, are dwarfed by it, it is yet splendidly hospitable; it invites science and wit, kings of commerce and captains of industry, to its table, and they all sit down to meat together, saying no grace. It is beautiful as the leopard and as cruel, and while it remains materialism it does not change its spots. The conclusion follows that if nowadays the Church itself gets worldly, if Churchmen when they are outside of Church buildings are of very much the same sort as the world's people, or if they bring in very much the same ways of thinking, feeling, judging, managing; in other words, if worldliness itself not only comes to Church, but takes possession of it, making the Father's House a house of merchandise—if the Church's affairs are conducted, its pews held, its finances controlled on worldly principles, with worldly ambitions, by worldly men, or if its preaching condescends from being a message of God's prophets to be a pious echo of the world's opinions or a solemn sanction of the world's popularities, then plainly the two kingdoms are mixed and confounded. The common eye is puzzled to tell which is which. One of them is betrayed, and the skeptics will tell you which one it is. Plainly the work of disenchanting society of its low delusions, of elevating and spiritualizing it, is to begin as the old prophets did, at the House of God. Let the world come in there by all means to listen, to learn, to confess and pray, to be baptized, converted and sanctified, but not to vulgarize, to desecrate, or to rule. Let "the Prince of this world," when "he cometh," find nothing there, of his own, as he found nothing of his own in the heart of Christ.



Suffer, dear Brethren of the Flock, finally, the word of loving exhortation. Resist without delay or scruple all secular intrusion into the hallowed economy of parishes. Forbid ■ spiritual stewardship to be administered by godless stewards. Banish unreality from all the holy business of your Lord's estate,—unreality, the beginning of well-nigh the only sin which He unsparingly upbraided, the disgust of clear-sighted lookers on, the death of manly power. Seeing that we are threatened with a decline of numbers in the Ministry, do what you can to win brave young men to seek with self-denial the service of Deacons and Evangelists, Pastors and Priests. We urge you, conscious of the privilege of your adoption, never to wander far from the Fountain-head of all our life, the "Fountain-light of all our seeing," the Fulness in Him who filleth all in all. Prize equally your heritage of order and your heritage of liberty, for both are of Christ. Rejoice in your expectation of a Liturgy better suited to our composite nationality than our national infancy could provide, yet gathering into it treasures of devotion older than any European voyage westward; and prove your sense of that enrichment by waiting for the steps of law to make it your right, mindful always that the object of prayers and praises is not the comeliness of a function but homage to Him who, in Jerusalem or Gerizim or beyond the Rocky Mountains, is to be worshipped in spirit and in truth. We entreat you to care very honestly and reverently for His honor and His only, in the things of the sanctuary, in acts of Ritual, in changes that may endanger brotherly love. Tolerate no restriction at the doors, by pride or tax, which can bar out any child of the Father, so that the very gates may be named Praise. Count all souls precious, because all souls may be saints. Preach peace to men that are far off no less than to them that are nigh, till the Israel of adoption shall cry to all the sons of aliens, "Now then ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints and of the Household of God," "the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole Family in Heaven and Earth is named." "Now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the

Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end! Amen."

In the common Faith of fellow-servants, we are also your loving Fathers, the Bishops of the Episcopal House of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

"At every General Convention, the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz., Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with the request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship."—*T. I, C. 17, § iii of the Digest.*

## APPENDICES.



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## APPENDIX I. — 1.

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### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

THE Committee on the State of the Church cannot begin their final report on this centennial, without a retrospective glance at "the rock whence we are hewn, and the hole of the pit whence we are digged."

An hundred years ago the English branch of the historic Church of Christ in this land was wrenched from the mother country and the mother Church, and left in fragments on these shores. On the 11th of May, 1784, ten Clergymen and six Laymen, sitting in New Brunswick, N.J., as the "Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen," resolved themselves into a "Voluntary Convention," and took the preliminary steps which resulted, in the October following, in a representative assemblage from eight States, in the city of New York, which agreed, as a "first principle," that "there shall be a General Convention of the Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

The next October that General Convention met in this city of Philadelphia. "A general ecclesiastical constitution" was agreed to; the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England was revised, to make it consistent with the American Revolution; and a plan was reported for obtaining the consecration of Bishops in England.

It was the season of Michaelmas when these great things were done, and the collect for "All Angels" was signally answered. Here was a branch of the Apostolic Church, united and free, occupying a position unprecedented since the Christian era, — neither patronized nor persecuted by the civil powers.

We have but to contrast that initial convention, less in number than many of the convocations of our rural deaneries, with the great legislative assembly here present, — one of the largest representative religious bodies in the world, — to exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

We have now, in this year of grace 1883, 48 confederated Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions, with 67 Bishops, more than 3,500 other Clergy, 3,000 organized Parishes (not including Missionary Stations), and nearly 375,000 communicants, using the same liturgy, and yielding obedience to the canons enacted by the General Convention.

One of the most noteworthy and gratifying facts connected with this council was the presence, at its opening service to give the absolution, and later in the session to pronounce the benediction, of that patriarchal man of God, the Right Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D.D., LL.D., our Presiding Bishop, now in the ninetieth year of his age and the fifty-first of his Episcopate, whose seniority in both respects antedates every Bishop of the Anglican Communion throughout the world. The year of our Lord 1832, when, with three others, — long since gone to their reward, — he was consecrated to his high office, will forever mark an epoch in the American Church.

Perhaps the most touching incident in the sessions of this body was the appearance in the House of Deputies, on the fifteenth day of its deliberations, of the Right Rev. Dr. William Mercer Green, the venerable Bishop of Mississippi, "whose praise is in all the churches," who came to say "farewell," and to tell us, with deep emotion, that he was the sole survivor, Clerical or Lay, of the General Convention of 1823, just sixty years ago, and that when he took Holy Orders there were but nine Bishops in the United States of America.

Since the meeting of this body three years ago, four of our Right Reverend fathers have departed this life: viz., —

Thomas Atkinson, D.D., Bishop of North Carolina; January 4, 1881.

John Barrett Kerfoot, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh; July 10, 1881.

Joseph Cruikshank Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Indiana; January 15, 1883.

William Pinkney, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Maryland; July 4, 1883.

All these were men of faith and prayer and abundant labours. Their record is on high.

Two of our Foreign Missionary Bishops have resigned their jurisdictions: viz., Charles Clifton Penick, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Africa; and Joseph Samuel Isaac Schereschewsky, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, China.

Thus princes die, and great leaders fall exhausted by the way; but the deathless Church of God moves on.

Eight have been elevated to the Episcopate; viz., —

George Kelly Dunlop, D.D., Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona; consecrated November 21, 1880.

Leigh Richmond Brewer, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Montana; consecrated December 8, 1880.

John Adams Paddock, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Washington; consecrated December 15, 1880.

Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh; consecrated on the Feast of the Conversion of S. Paul, January 25, 1882.

Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Mississippi; consecrated on the Feast of S. Matthias, February 24, 1883.

David Buel Knickerbacker, D.D., Bishop of Indiana; consecrated on the twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, October 14, 1883.

Henry Codman Potter, D.D., Assistant Bishop of New York; consecrated October 20, 1883.

Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia; consecrated on the twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, October 21, 1883.

The reports from the various Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions show a vast amount of labour, coupled with great self-denial and a quenchless zeal. In some Dioceses the results thus shown are remark-



able; in the least favoured, as statistics compute favour, the reports are hopeful. What must thus be here stated in general, may be seen in detail in the tabulated reports herewith appended.

It is the conviction of your Committee, that, in these reports, Church-membership should be computed on the basis of the baptized, rather than on that of communicants. This basis would be more Churchly and less misleading.

Our greatest deficiency, as in many years past, is the inadequate number of candidates for Holy Orders. This is a deficiency not confined to us, but is common to all religious bodies in this country who require an educated Ministry. The same causes, we believe, obtain in all alike. God's inward call to the office and work of the Ministry, we are persuaded, is at a far earlier period in life than most suppose. The child Samuel is a type of the character and age to which the Lord speaks; but, in too many American homes, the indication of such a call on the part of a child is considered unfortunate, and to be deprecated.

Add to this, without alluding to any other obstruction, the vastly increased expense of securing a proper education for the Ministry as contrasted with that expense a generation ago, and we have two leading causes for the scarcity of postulants. The unfavourable conditions of the Ministry, which obtain in this country such an inadequate support, frequent parochial changes, and lack of provision for old age, we purposely pass by, with the single remark that the "Clergymen's Retiring Fund Society" will, if expanded as it ought to be, amply supply the wants of the Clergy when they deserve, if indeed they do not need, to be placed on the retired list.

The introduction of the business of the Board of Missions into the daylight sessions of this body, begun three years ago, has enlarged among the representative Laity of the Church the interest in missions, and given new impulse to that work. The crowded assemblages on those days, when both Houses sat together in such deliberations, amply demonstrate this; but it is to be regretted that so striking a feature as having all the Bishops on the platform at once on the first day of such business, rather than scattered on the floor of this house, was not continued this year, to the wide-spread disappointment and lessened interest of some, who cannot look upon our Right Reverend fathers in a body more than once or twice in a lifetime. It may seem to some a small thing, but your Committee think it should not be omitted.

The Committee would call particular attention to the Church Temperance Society, an agency modelled after the Church of England Temperance Society, and inaugurated in this country since our last Triennial Council; which, it is believed, will command the indorsement of those who cannot accept the methods commonly employed for checking the ravages of that sin which, while not so general in America as in some localities abroad, has, it can be averred without extravagance of speech, consigned more to premature graves than war, pestilence, and famine combined.

Descending to particulars, as illustrating the present spirit of the Church, we can only allude to the fact that cathedrals, Church schools and colleges, hospitals, and homes, have grown apace in number and efficiency. Dioceses have been subdivided into districts for more effective missionary work in their own borders, bringing Clergy and Laity of common centres into more frequent council as fellow-helpers. Deaconesses

and sisterhoods have been multiplied, to do what only holy women with a distinctive dress and under diocesan direction can do.

Guilds, in many leading parishes, have set all their membership to active parochial work.

Church-music has made progress; so that what was ostentatious and unseemly in the house of God has given place to that which is classical, dignified, and Churchly. And whereas, only forty years ago, there was but a single parish in all the land which had the Eucharist weekly; there are now some three hundred parishes where it is celebrated as the central act of Divine Worship, at least on every Lord's Day. The enriched Book of Common Prayer, with the new Lectionary, is hailed with general delight, as not the least among the increased instrumentalities for pulling down the strongholds of sin, Satan, and death, and as commending our branch of the kingdom of our blessed Lord, as pre-eminently adapted to the composite character of the American people.

With all these advances has come, more and more, the gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues; a broader, more tolerant and catholic spirit, which has pervaded the whole length and breadth of the Church, to a degree never before known in her national life. The day seems upon us of which it may be said, "Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing, for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion."

The reports of the several Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions are herewith appended, and form a part of this report. The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the view of the state of the Church, here presented, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, asking their prayers and benediction, and requesting them to prepare, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter, "To all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made them overseers."

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE MORGAN HILLS, *Chairman*.

ROBERT A. COBBS, *Secretary*.

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DIOCESES.	CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS, AND LAY READERS.							PARISHES, CHURCHES, ETC.						
	Lay Readers.	Candidates for Holy Orders.	Deacons Ordained.	No. of Deacons.	Priests Ordained.	No. of Priests.	Whole No. Clergy.	No. of Parishes.	No. of Missions.	Corner-stones Laid.	Churches Consecrated.	Whole No. of Churches & Chapels.	Free Churches and Chapels.	No. of Rectories.
1 Alabama . . . . .	7	5	4	2	4	24	27	44	3	5	43	13		
2 Albany . . . . .	20	23	20	9	19	113	123	100	43	3	8	144	111	57
3 Arkansas . . . . .	2	1	1	2	13	15	17	4	18					3
4 California (no report).														
5 Central New York . . .	53	12	17	8	12	87	96	109	29	6	13			54
6 Central Pennsylvania .	33	11	7	10	1	85	96	90	24	5	9	111		48
7 Connecticut . . . . .		29	22	18	17	165	184	147		5	12	166		93
8 Delaware . . . . .	6	2	1			27	29	32	5	1		36	20	7
9 Easton . . . . .		3	3	3	1	32	36	37			6	59	56	24
10 Florida . . . . .			4	2	25	30	19	29	5	4	48	48		6
11 Fond du Lac . . . . .	7	7	3	2	23	26	20	42	1	6	38	37	10	
12 Georgia . . . . .	12	2	4	7	2	30	38	30	24	1	1	54		14
13 Illinois . . . . .	38	9	4	5	4	57	63	47	32	6	8	81	25	18
14 Indiana . . . . .	18	3	4	2	3	31	34	40	11			46		18
15 Iowa . . . . .	50	13	7	10	5	48	59	59	52	10	7	70	59	15
16 Kansas . . . . .	45	4	3	2	4	27	30	17	12	6	2	31	25	13
17 Kentucky . . . . .	35	7	4	4	4	30	36	33	6	3	2	46	26	11
18 Long Island . . . . .	11	14	16	5	17	101	107	66	34		4	100	43	32
19 Louisiana . . . . .	9	4	1	4	4	28	33	43	29		2	51	42	16
20 Maine . . . . .	2	4	3	4	3	22	27	22	14	1	2	35	26	13
21 Maryland . . . . .	38	7	10	16	7	168	175	130	6		9	196		
22 Massachusetts . . . .	40	25	24	7	16	164	172	110	34	10	12	142	40	38
23 Michigan . . . . .	46	4	8	9	8	58	68	63	64	5	17	103	49	39
24 Minnesota . . . . .	44	7	14	12	14	66	79	61	40		10	102	96	
25 Mississippi . . . . .	29	3	5	2	3	22	26	44	34		1	47		17
26 Missouri . . . . .	13	5	7	10	6	49	60	49	42	2	10	85	76	12
27 Nebraska . . . . .	20	1	4	3	4	32	36	36	30	3	6	35		11
28 New Hampshire . . .	7	3	4	4	2	27	32	20	11	2	3	34	22	4
29 New Jersey . . . . .	41	7	9	10	7	80	91	84	31	6	15	115	82	83
30 New York . . . . .		43	23	35	294	318	202		2	10				
31 North Carolina . . .	40	22	14	20	5	55	76	86	30	1	11	119		41
32 Northern New Jersey.	16	6		3	6	80	84	67	12	2	5	75		30
33 Ohio . . . . .	17	11	6	5	4	68	74	77	12	3	4	100		
34 Pennsylvania . . . .		19	16	6	13	193	200	120		9	9	147		61
35 Pittsburgh . . . . .	27	7	2	6	2	49	56	60	13		2	74	50	17
36 Quincy . . . . .	27	4	7	3	6	24	28	31	12	2	4	45	25	8
37 Rhode Island . . . .		4	6	2	9	44	47	44	8	4	9	49	25	23
38 South Carolina . . .	20	5	4	3	4	45	49	63	25		8	83		18
39 Southern Ohio . . . .	8	3	5	3	11	45	49	45	22	1	3	57		13
40 Springfield . . . . .	9	13	15	6	16	36	43	21	36	6	10	41	39	6
41 Tennessee . . . . .	18	9	10	10	8	28	39	37	28			57		12
42 Texas . . . . .	25	8	4	1	2	16	18	29	30	4	1	32		7
43 Vermont . . . . .	14	5	2	1	4	32	34	39	18			47		4
44 Virginia . . . . .	84	30	27	10	27	140	151				22	252		72
45 West Virginia . . . .	9	3	2		2	23	24	27	17	2	9	33	33	15
46 Western Michigan . .	20	1	2		2	22	23	28	21	4	2	43		6
47 Western New York . .		4	3	8		97	106	90	22		5	104	3	48
48 Wisconsin . . . . .	39	8	8	2	14	74	77	40	68	6	9	92	61	24
<i>Miss. Jurisdictions.</i>														
49 Colorado and Wyoming.	12	6	6	4	7	27	32	21	42	6	1	30	28	16
50 Dakota . . . . .	13	1				19	20	12	24			19		3
51 Idaho and Utah . . .		1	2	1	3	10	12	2	14		1	9	9	4
52 Montana . . . . .						6	7					14	12	8
53 Nevada . . . . .						6	7					14		8
54 N. Mexico and Arizona.	7		1	1	1	5	7		20	2	1	5	5	2
55 Niobrara . . . . .	12	3	2	5	2	8	14		25			27	27	11
56 Northern California .	6	1		2	1	8	11	9	1		17	17		6
57 Northern Texas . . .	11	1		2		7	10	10	35	2	1	15	15	7
58 Oregon . . . . .			3			15	19				1	26	25	11
59 Washington . . . . .	6	1	2			9	10	6	18		4	11	11	
60 Western Texas . . .	9		1	3		9	13	10	20		2	20		4
61 Cape Palmas . . . . .	5	2		5		8	14	4	11			16		
62 Japan . . . . .		1	2	2	1	6	8					11		
63 Shanghai . . . . .	15	6	5	8	1	9	18		30	2		12	12	
	1,143	401	409	322	359	3,240	3,526	2,749	1,307	140	311	3,732	1,337	1,159



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PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.						CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.								OFFERINGS.	
CONFIRMED, COM'TS, ETC.		SUNDAY AND PARISH SCHOOLS.				Church Hospitals.	Church Orphan-Asylums.	Church Homes.	Academic Institutions.	Collegiate Institutions.	Theological Institutions.	Other Institutions.	Communion Alms.	Episcopal Fund.—Total Income.	
Communi-cants Died.	Present No. of Commu-nicants.	Sunday-School Teachers.	Sunday-School Scholars.	Parish School Teachers.	Parish School Scholars.										
155	3,734	223	1,718				2		1				\$4,737 63		
716	13,018	1,231	10,647	44	416	1	1	1	1				23,678 00	\$15,131 49	
	1,138	75	649												
	12,848	1,063	8,308	2	42	3	1	3	3		1		13,627 77	12,941 53	
	7,486	1,189	12,063			1	2	1	3	1		4	18,324 08	11,009 63	
1,145	21,044	1,756	15,206										43,513 51	17,558 00	
141	2,101	304	2,039										3,447 12	4,500 00	
123	2,633	224	1,734	3	58		1						3,861 00	8,050 00	
99	1,042	222	1,608	14	188								1,647 54	3,377 60	
92	2,390	113	1,409	2	78			1					1,451 04	7,924 74	
203	4,768	355	2,747	5	222		2						11,941 81	12,000 00	
86	7,413	749	7,413	5	180	1			2			5	2,022 85	7,152 09	
	3,884	297	3,171										4,057 33	18,254 02	
	4,247	462	3,757	4	36	2		1	2	1	1	1	1,679 07	1,845 90	
	2,048	159	1,353			1			1	1			7,498 90		
288	4,382	351	3,218	3	83	2	3	1			1		44,210 00	19,945 70	
733	16,327	2,183	17,934	260	1,600	3	2	3	6			4	7,719 61	14,923 30	
158	3,946	350	2,911	6	61		1		1				1,587 88	2,153 96	
115	2,306	202	1,767				6	3	1	1		10	73,061 93	4,543 56	
	22,805	1,729	16,238	233	2,634	1			1	1			48,073 19	19,530 06	
	19,232	1,691	16,848	1	25		3	1	1		1	1	15,903 46	15,903 46	
257	8,472	943	8,244			1							9,000 00		
	5,505	496	4,411	13	161	1	1		2		1		1,176 08		
40	2,401	262	2,047	2	40								5,119 07	14,174 51	
177	5,385	484	4,384	4	80	1	1		4	1			7,277 00		
	2,040	181	1,793	6	122	1			1						
	2,062	137	1,146				1		1			1	19,438 21	12,758 07	
	8,381	869	8,649	6	136		1		4				31,056 87		
	36,675	2,846	34,108			5	4	7		1	21		5,994 26	12,281 21	
	6,323	529	3,914	17	411	2	2	2	6	1	1	1		3,860 00	
	9,273	923	8,565												
321	7,259	913	8,293			1		1	2	1	1		91,250 15	22,445 94	
	27,746	2,833	30,603	34	1,159	2	2		1		1	4	7,798 56	12,070 51	
226	6,206	567	5,633				1			1				10,500 00	
	1,936	192	1,660	3	65			1	2					13,000 00	
335	6,995	793	6,568	5		1	1							13,308 00	
	5,097	324	2,901			1	1	3	1				14,826 02		
	5,651	654	5,438	2	25				1	1	1				
	2,129	228	2,212	19	200		1		8					7,789 17	
67	3,247	253	2,021	3	155		1		4	1	1		(4,888 46 inc. in tot.)	8,422 75	
	2,400	183	1,748										3,239 36		
	3,529	246	1,695	4	85				1				3,303 55	29,735 33	
	14,153	1,521	11,211	32	698				3		1	1			
82	2,135	239	1,738	26	184								1,835 51	8,074 45	
132	3,111	299	2,183			1							2,336 21	7,340 09	
501	10,692	896	7,287	67	267		3		1	1	1		9,649 86	17,384 53	
191	4,789	264	3,297	5	73	2		1	3	1	1		6,015 85	14,181 51	
	2,112	213	1,849			1			1	1	1		7,405 83		
	1,295														
	728	63	930	26	794	1			5						
	636	71	607	2	32										
10	302	79	1,080							1			1,168 80		
43	339	21	213										371 00		
24	794			2	15				4				27 00	3 40	
28	504	87	837						1	1					
42	1,134	88	715			1							902 00		
18	839	118	922	1	56		1		2			2	896 48		
	402	56	407	2	60	1			1						
	1,104	131	950						3				1,954 32		
	408		557	1	58		3		6						
	103		125			1			4		1				
60	247	54	531			4			4	1	1	1			
4,613	364,125	33,990	314,910	804	10,499	45	48	32	99	17	16	56	\$515,485 84	\$453,16 59	



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DIOCESES.	OFFERINGS.					
	Diocesan Expenditures, Convention, etc.	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Home Missions for Coloured People.	Indian Missions.	Foreign Missions.
1 Alabama . . . . .	\$14,053 18	\$4,706 44	\$330 92			\$247 27
2 Albany . . . . .	5,317 18	32,613 44	6,584 01	944 58	2,091 85	4,394 37
3 Arkansas . . . . .						
4 California . . . . .						
5 Central New York . . . . .	4,161 23	48,303 84	49,337 57		7,351 56	14,209 83
6 Central Pennsylvania . . . . .	2,939 70	24,705 61	9,032 41	611 19	1,321 99	4,902 61
7 Connecticut . . . . .	2,919 00	29,524 00	73,643 00			12,573 00
8 Delaware . . . . .	900 00	3,063 22	5,108 79			3,668 79
9 Easton . . . . .	1,791 00	4,080 00	743 00		440 00	654 00
10 Florida . . . . .		4,284 20	603 59			89 06
11 Fond du Lac . . . . .		5,450 17	205 91			
12 Georgia . . . . .	2,866 05	9,346 78	647 71			1,067 95
13 Illinois . . . . .	16,606 00	(10,740 00)	7,870 00	included.)		(7,870 00)
14 Indiana . . . . .	2,482 17	1,814 58	1,086 11			323 72
15 Iowa . . . . .	2,690 32	3,724 79	743 22			676 86
16 Kansas . . . . .	576 84	1,419 59	182 88	35 00	56 50	106 87
17 Kentucky . . . . .	15,895 02	10,201 39	2,128 59	18 20		3,099 16
18 Long Island . . . . .	4,628 45	19,087 41	59,713 00	3,537 00	2,440 00	17,144 00
19 Louisiana . . . . .	717 01	2,482 10	404 23			229 20
20 Maine . . . . .	806 00	5,138 93	(2,940 56)	included	included	included.)
21 Maryland . . . . .	19,671 34	22,440 65	28,429 94			18,798 08
22 Massachusetts . . . . .	5,211 12	30,742 82	49,704 55	4,875 19	13,913 66	32,161 16
23 Michigan . . . . .	15,809 81	17,517 49	5,492 85	263 00	83 00	4,894 00
24 Minnesota . . . . .		13,075 30	1,099 95			894 87
25 Mississippi . . . . .	936 87	1,920 33	83 60			42 28
26 Missouri . . . . .	1,388 04	9,417 01	870 53	758 76		410 94
27 Nebraska . . . . .	967 00	2,367 96	537 31			150 19
28 New Hampshire . . . . .		9,030 00	1,810 00			536 00
29 New Jersey . . . . .	3,072 23	16,391 89	15,116 30	660 67	1,013 30	6,555 12
30 New York . . . . .	7,980 20	32,027 07	168,107 45	7,063 87		108,202 80
31 North Carolina . . . . .	17,021 96	5,366 21	1,440 40	45 21	360 79	1,161 17
32 Northern New Jersey . . . . .	2,731 00	15,250 00				
33 Ohio . . . . .	13,452 00	9,932 00	7,780 00			7,527 00
34 Pennsylvania . . . . .	6,955 00	22,576 58	90,249 00	5,729 62	14,759 57	63,529 52
35 Pittsburgh . . . . .	2,237 90	17,167 52	11,737 76	955 19	1,765 28	9,803 44
36 Quincy . . . . .	1,646 00	6,736 00	(2,341 00)	included	included	included.)
37 Rhode Island . . . . .	1,650 00	9,202 00	15,163 00	2,556 00	3,159 00	13,987 00
38 South Carolina . . . . .	2,177 00	10,537 00	1,765 00			1,114 00
39 Southern Ohio . . . . .	15,141 29	9,429 68	10,362 81	1,050 41	489 64	6,103 04
40 Springfield . . . . .	7,789 17	4,820 44	185 00			
41 Tennessee . . . . .						
42 Texas . . . . .	1,124 90	2,236 06	363 10			56 45
43 Vermont . . . . .		5,276 14	1,236 09			603 78
44 Virginia . . . . .	23,650 38					
45 West Virginia . . . . .	745 26	3,769 84		1,655 34		2,274 85
46 Western Michigan . . . . .	1,007 00	5,297 00	1,807 55	77 72	116 79	507 43
47 Western New York . . . . .	3,634 72	17,199 00	8,864 02	1,824 87		5,609 82
48 Wisconsin . . . . .		6,428 47	573 49	50 88	313 75	296 45
<i>Missionary Jurisdictions.</i>						
49 Colorado and Wyoming . . . . .	327 74	1,631 40	500 02			269 95
50 Dakota . . . . .						
51 Idaho and Utah . . . . .						
52 Montana . . . . .						
53 Nevada . . . . .			686 50			162 00
54 New Mexico and Arizona . . . . .	203 98		110 90			
55 Niobrara . . . . .	1,695 57	441 10	112 90	44 93	115 21	71 74
56 Northern California . . . . .						
57 Northern Texas . . . . .	2,119 75	347 65	147 60			40 70
58 Oregon . . . . .		1,027 95	1,079 84			412 12
59 Washington . . . . .	137 70	414 09	238 78			195 85
60 Western Texas . . . . .		699 30	114 30			32 08
61 Cape Palmas . . . . .		2,265 38				117 94
62 Japan . . . . .						
63 Shanghai . . . . .						
	\$239,843 08	\$533,672 82	\$649,468 04	\$32,757 63	\$49,791 89	\$357,778 46



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OFFERINGS.								No. of Parishes not re- porting. — Average.
Education for the Ministry.	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.	Widows and Or- phans of Clergy.	Other and Miscel- laneous Charities.	Total Amount of Charitable Offer- ings and Income.	Total Amount of Salaries and Pa- rochial Expenses.	Total Offerings for Religious Pur- poses.		
\$738 02	\$680 00 4,763 94	\$1,161 63	\$3,063 36	\$128,885 49	\$93,522 00 669,666 11	\$118,277 44 899,053 47 10,057 57	7	
5,446 02	5,049 45		3,017 45	424,400 19	295,153 40	882,999 84	7	
4,694 97	5,102 54		895 88		488,560 31	572,100 92		
	10,625 00				1,047,727 00	1,238,082 51	8	
230 00	853 39				88,500 00	110,046 31		
	1,372 00		43,797 00	65,618 00	61,178 00	192,414 00		
121 74	213 56				43,227 85	53,443 40		
	757 02		9,838 48	21,042 70	83,249 04	130,040 84	2	
	1,192 76	1,388 71		64,912 85	241,672 55	347,037 17	2	
Included.)	(1,547 00 included.)					723,122 00		
259 22	264 34		1,871 22		176,245 56	193,521 86	10	
1,529 20	4,050 31		40,575 82	278,122 88	123,922 43	478,347 18	16	
50 20	5 00	28.35	539 65		65,547 94	72,073 79	3	
	140 90		1,935 70	61,595 23	356,971 95	459,465 04	8	
14,772 00	12,467 84		92,500 00	794,510 94	699,309 00	1,784,264 84	10	
	839 90	257 00	12,041 21	141,089 60	99,242 59	279,945 75	10	
12 98					103,498 72	116,139 03	4	
15,361 57	3,396 39	31,783 88	936,653 21	1,240,880 77	603,559 09	2,998,580 41	10	
9,938 91	15,059 94	16,606 82	65,911 19	213,532 23	1,258,512 51	1,783,778 35	7	
750 00	3,476 71				381,406 51	455,334 83		
	1,243 66			75,320 34	181,927 58	282,561 70		
855 92	2,418 12		778 00	169,664 19	48,211 65	52,370 81	20	
455 53	143 02				193,078 58	398,873 67	4	
675 00	200 00				84,057 51	89,406 22		
1,798 81	4,083 56		223,068 47	162,148 00	322,850 45	174,399 00		
1,449 79	32,907 98			(2,584,818 76 included.)	289,169 97	915,987 05	23	
		300 00	26,236 18		123,526 01	2,973,623 79		
	3,379 00				752,027 00	193,733 40	14	
		739 00	14,475 00	468,394 70	390,927 00	777,247 00		
17,796 48	16,747 98		1,123,529 93	1,443,947 09	1,018,951 87	913,226 70		
2,029 80	2,978 78		22,765 12	104,952 19	369,347 89	3,938,477 73		
	192 00		8,960 00		58,880 00	565,609 94		
2,172 00				132,685 00	358,936 00	89,255 00	4	
1,125 00	4,500 00	8,612 00			234,814 00	554,510 00		
1,621 62	691 81	1,558 20	13,550 01	33,482 40	295,082 52	277,952 00		
29 94	184 29				91,951 36	403,389 45	4	
						112,749 87		
	207 00					123,085 66		
324 36	276 54		2,997 31	67,689 23	53,627 20	136,966 05		
	8,390 00				112,204 35	126,222 12		
610 95	983 08	260 82		216,697 00	433,470 00	682,207 38		
161 75	995 47			43,831 34	74,495 72	138,537 16		
1,850 71	6,484 71			91,287 90	86,561 74	197,476 56	4	
636 93	1,318 80		2,723 62	22,973 89	233,636 28	72,502 59		
						289,149 42		
				109,016 68		119,151 62		
					77,967 09	77,967 09		
						58,689 30		
	39 90			3,074 39	28,234 61	33,366 20		
		15 35	229 58		3,450 50	685 88		
	45 60			75 61	29,089 59	6,207 28	3	
	604 45	1,966 90			47,160 05	55,120 98		
	751 39				28,643 85	32,768 50		
		80 00	38,960 00			53,147 79		
						30,677 05		
						41,840 00		
						2,383 32		
						23,079 75		
\$87,499 42	\$161,624 13	\$64,758 66	\$2,690,913 39	\$9,487,480 04	\$12,680,102 48	\$28,912,731 08	180	

## APPENDIX I.—3.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF THE CHURCH, IN THE NUMBER OF DIOCESES, PARISHES, CLERGY AND COMMUNICANTS, FROM 1838 TO 1883.

THE dates are those of the several Triennial Conventions, and returns derived from less than the whole number of Dioceses are indicated by appropriate notes.

DATE.	No. Dioceses.	No. Parishes.	No. Clergy.	Whole No. of Communicants.	Whole No. of Baptisms.
1832 . . . . .	18	462 in 12 D.	592	30,939 in 16 D.	23,127 in 14 D.
1835 . . . . .	19	590 in 12 D.	763	36,416	21,949
1838 . . . . .	25	. . . . .	951	45,930 in 23 D.	18,758 in 12 D.
1841 . . . . .	25	. . . . .	1,052	55,427	34,465 in 23 D.
1844 . . . . .	27	. . . . .	1,096	72,099 in 26 D.	37,119 in 22 D.
1847 . . . . .	28	. . . . .	1,404	67,550 in 27 D.	33,774
1850 . . . . .	29	. . . . .	1,558	70,802 in 28 D.	42,025
1853 . . . . .	30	. . . . .	1,651	105,136	48,157 in 28 D.
1856 . . . . .	31	. . . . .	1,828	110,540	70,527 in 30 D.
1859 . . . . .	33	2,120	2,064	139,611	89,282
1862 . . . . .	33	1,728*	2,286	124,340 in 23 D.	71,533 in 22 D.
1865 . . . . .	33	1,687*	2,450	148,068 in 26 D.	80,621 in 25 D.
1868 . . . . .	35	2,299*	2,662	195,835 in 34 D.	99,720
1871 . . . . .	40	2,767	2,876	230,929	117,267
1874 . . . . .	41	2,741*	3,082	282,359 in 40 D.	122,640 in 39 D.
1877 . . . . .	45	2,401*	3,086	297,387 in 40 D.	129,757 in 41 D.
1880 . . . . .	48	2,917*	3,355	344,789	137,617 in 45 D.
1883 . . . . .	48	2,937	3,572	372,484†	134,933

\* Incomplete: two or more Dioceses not making report.

† Estimating for forty-two parishes omitted.

## STATEMENT OF CHURCH PROGRESS.

*Items available for more recent dates only.*

DATE.	No. of Missionary Jurisdictions.	No. of Missions.	OFFERINGS FOR MISSIONS.			
			Domestic.	Diocesan.	Foreign.	Total Offerings.
1865 . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	\$6,471,669
1868 . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	11,291,655
1871 . . . . .	7	626*	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	16,384,712 in 35 D.
1874 . . . . .	8	918*	496,527	231,701	456,417	17,964,024 in 39 D.
1877 . . . . .	13	959*	461,606	231,303	500,766	21,535,506 in 43 D.
1880 . . . . .	13	1,295	515,917	274,163	506,882	20,251,824
1883 . . . . .	14	1,355	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	23,217,765

\* Wanting in returns from two or more Dioceses.

The most complete measure of the progress of the Church, for the period from 1832 to 1883, is the increase in the number of Communicants; but the immediate comparison of one triennial report with the preceding one is not practicable, because of the incompleteness of the returns in some cases. By grouping the triennial periods, however, we find that the ratio of increase becomes clear, and that for the entire period of fifty years it averages twenty per centum upon each triennial report, the successive reports being so much greater in each case; and for the whole period from 1832 to 1883, the increase is more than tenfold in the number of Communicants.

During the fifty years from 1832 to 1883, the growth of the Episcopal Church, as shown by the preceding tabular statements, has been such as to more than double the number of Dioceses, 18 to 48; to increase the number of Parishes in a large ratio, but less distinctly defined; to increase the number of Clergy fivefold, 592 to 3,572; and the number of Communicants more than tenfold, 30,939 to 372,484; also the number of Baptisms in nearly the same proportion.

For the more complete statistics of the more recent part of this period, the number of Missionary Jurisdictions shows a gain of one hundred per cent since 1871; the number of Missions, the like gain; and the Offerings, a gain of one hundred per cent in the short period from 1868 to 1880. The increase in the number of Communicants is very striking; but the progress in resources, as shown by the increase in Offerings, is still more remarkable.

## GENERAL COMPARISON.

DATE.	No. of Dioceses.	No. of Clergy.	No. of Communicants.	Population.
1790 . . . . .	7	190		3,929,214
1800 . . . . .	8	210 inc. 10 per ct.	11,978	5,308,483
1810 . . . . .	9	218 " 3 "		7,239,881
1820 . . . . .	13	331 " 50 "		9,633,822
1830 . . . . .	20	534 " 60 "		12,866,620
1840 . . . . .	25	1,059 " 100 "		17,069,453
1850 . . . . .	29	1,589 " 50 "	87,794	23,191,876
1860 . . . . .	33	2,156 " 30 "	146,588 inc. 66 per ct.	31,443,321
1870 . . . . .	40	2,838 " 40 "	220,000 " 50 "	38,558,371
1880 . . . . .	48	3,432 " 21 "	344,789 " 56 "	50,152,686

The ratio of increase for the longer series, shown in the previous tables, has exhibited an average gain in the number of Communicants, of twenty per cent for each triennial period; while the ratio of gain in population for the whole country is much less, and not more than ten to twelve per cent for the same period.

## APPENDIX I.—4.

SUMMARIES, AND COMPARATIVE VIEWS OF THE PRINCIPAL  
ITEMS OF STATISTICS OF CHURCH PROGRESS.

1880.

Number of Dioceses.....	48
Number of Missionary Jurisdictions.....	13
Lay Readers in 37 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions,	951
Candidates for Holy Orders in 41 Dioceses and 7 Missionary	
Jurisdictions.....	387
Deacons Ordained in 46 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Juris-	
dictions.....	388
Deacons in 47 Dioceses and 10 Missionary Jurisdictions...	310
Priests Ordained in 45 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdic-	
tions.....	330
Priests in 48 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions....	2,982
Whole number of Clergy in 48 Dioceses and 13 Missionary	
Jurisdictions.....	3,355
Parishes in 48 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions....	2,917
Missions in 41 Dioceses and 10 Missionary Jurisdictions...	1,295
Corner-stones laid in 30 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Juris-	
dictions.....	97
Churches Consecrated in 43 Dioceses and 7 Missionary	
Jurisdictions.....	220
Churches and Chapels in 46 Dioceses and 13 Missionary	
Jurisdictions.....	3,511
Free Churches and Chapels in 29 Dioceses and 9 Mission-	
ary Jurisdictions.....	1,233
Rectories in 44 Dioceses and 10 Missionary Jurisdictions...	1,091
Families in 33 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions....	101,724
Number of Souls in 26 Dioceses and 5 Missionary Jurisdic-	
tions.....	255,470
Baptisms, {	
Infants in 45 Dioceses and 13 Missionary	
Jurisdictions.....	109,214
Adults in 45 Dioceses and 12 Mis-	
sionary Jurisdictions.....	23,469
Not specified in 3 Dioceses and 1 Mis-	
sionary Jurisdiction.....	4,934
Confirmations in 48 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdic-	
tions.....	79,011
Marriages in 48 Dioceses and 12 Missionary Jurisdictions..	32,962
Burials in 48 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions....	65,282
Communicants added in 29 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Juris-	
dictions.....	57,304
Communicants died in 26 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Juris-	
dictions.....	7,752

Communicants in 48 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	344,789
Sunday-School Teachers in 46 Dioceses and 9 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	31,304
Sunday-School Scholars in 47 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	287,253
Parish-School Teachers in 25 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	920
Parish-School Scholars in 24 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	12,287
Church Hospitals in 20 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	33
Church Orphan Asylums in 24 Dioceses and 2 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	41
Church Homes in 16 Dioceses.....	29
Academic Institutions in 29 Dioceses and 9 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	93
Collegiate Institutions in 12 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	15
Theological Institutions in 13 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	16
Other Institutions in 10 Dioceses.....	30
Communion Alms in 40 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	\$562,853 93
Episcopal Fund, Total Income in 40 Dioceses and 2 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	495,430 91
Diocesan Expenditures, Convention, etc., in 42 Dioceses and 2 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	216,680 12
Offerings for Diocesan Missions in 48 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	506,832 88
Offerings for Domestic Missions (of which, in 21 Dioceses, \$20,087.19 were specified for Home Missions for the Coloured People, and in 21 Dioceses \$43,843 41 were specified for Indian Missions) in 44 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	515,917 61
Offerings for Foreign Missions in 38 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	274,163 45
Offerings for Education for the Ministry in 31 Dioceses....	101,217 44
Offerings for Aged and Infirm Clergy (including, in 9 Dioceses, the offerings for Widows and Orphans of Clergy) in 45 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction.....	135,296 70
Offerings for Widows and Orphans of Clergy in 13 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction.....	67,251 79
Offerings for Other and Miscellaneous Charities in 30 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	1,983,285 96
Total of Charitable Offerings and Income in 45 Dioceses and 5 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	6,602,203 67
Total of Salaries and Parochial Expenses in 39 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	10,485,935 71
Total Offerings for Religious Purposes in 48 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	20,251,824 94
Parishes not reporting in 23 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction.....	217

## 1883.

Number of Dioceses.....	48
Number of Missionary Jurisdictions.....	15
Lay Readers in 39 Dioceses and 10 Missionary Jurisdictions, Candidates for Holy Orders in 45 Dioceses and 10 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	1,143
Deacons Ordained in 45 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	401
Deacons in 45 Dioceses and 11 Missionary Jurisdictions....	409
Priests Ordained in 45 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	322
Priests in 47 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	359
Whole number of Clergy in 47 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	3,240
Parishes in 46 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Jurisdictions....	3,627
Missions in 42 Dioceses and 11 Missionary Jurisdictions...	2,749
Corner-stones laid in 32 Dioceses and 5 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	1,307
Churches Consecrated in 43 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	140
Churches and Chapels in 45 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	311
Free Churches and Chapels in 27 Dioceses and 11 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	3,732
Rectories in 43 Dioceses and 11 Missionary Jurisdictions...	1,337
Families in 34 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions....	1,159
Number of Souls in 27 Dioceses and 5 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	129,961
Baptisms, { Infants in 43 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions..... 109,040 Adults in 43 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	21,243
Unspecified in 4 Dioceses .....	3,797
Confirmations in 47 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions,	134,080
Marriages in 47 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions..	75,560
Burials in 47 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	39,263
Communicants added in 29 Dioceses and 9 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	77,585
Communicants died in 24 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	62,692
Communicants in 47 Dioceses and 15 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	6,613
Sunday-School Teachers in 47 Dioceses and 11 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	364,125
Sunday-School Scholars in 47 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions.....	33,900
Parish-School Teachers in 30 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	314,910
Parish-School Scholars in 29 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	804
Church Hospitals in 22 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	10,499
	45



Church Orphan Asylums in 24 Dioceses and 2 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	48
Church Homes in 17 Dioceses .....	32
Academic Institutions in 29 Dioceses and 10 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	99
Collegiate Institutions in 13 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	17
Theological Institutions in 13 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	16
Other Institutions in 11 Dioceses and 2 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	56
Communion Alms in 34 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	\$515,485 84
Episcopal Fund, Total Income in 38 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction .....	453,951 64
Diocesan Expenditures, Convention, etc., in 39 Dioceses and 5 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	239,843 08
Offerings for Diocesan Missions in 44 Dioceses and 7 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	533,672 82
Offerings for Domestic Missions (of which, in 19 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction, \$32,757.63 were specified for Missions for the Coloured People; and, in 16 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction, \$49,791.89 were specified for Indian Missions), in 42 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	649,468 04
Offerings for Foreign Missions in 41 Dioceses and 8 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	357,778 46
Offerings for Education for the Ministry in 30 Dioceses ...	87,499 42
Offerings for Aged and Infirm Clergy (including, in 11 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions, offerings for Widows and Orphans of Clergy), in 40 Dioceses and 4 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	161,624 13
Offerings for Widows and Orphans of Clergy in 11 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	64,758 66
Offerings for Other and Miscellaneous Charities in 23 Dioceses and 2 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	2,690,913 39
Total of Charitable Offerings and Income in 26 Dioceses and 3 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	9,487,480 04
Total of Salaries and Parochial Expenses in 41 Dioceses and 6 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	12,680,102 48
Total Offerings for Religious Purposes in 47 Dioceses and 13 Missionary Jurisdictions .....	28,912,731 08
Parishes not reporting in 21 Dioceses and 1 Missionary Jurisdiction .....	180

## APPENDIX II. — I.

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### SECOND TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOR- EIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCO- PAL CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.

#### WITH ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS.

THE Board of Managers respectfully presents to the Board of Missions its second Triennial Report, accompanied by the following documents :—

The Volume of Reports of Standing Committees, recognized Auxiliaries, and Missionary Bishops, for the year ending August 31, 1881, and the Table of Parishes contributing.

The same for the year ending August 31, 1882.

A parcel containing the same Reports, so far as they have been received, for the year ending August 31, 1883.

All these taken together make a full and detailed Report of the operations of the Society since the last meeting of the Board of Missions.

#### CHANGES IN THE MEMBERSHIP.

The changes in the membership of the Board of Managers, caused by deaths and resignations within the triennium now closed, have been numerous.

Among the Bishops, the Rt. Rev. Drs. Atkinson, Talbot, Kerfoot, and Pinkney have rested from their labours. There have been added by consecration the Rt. Rev. Drs. Dunlop, Brewer, J. A. Paddock, Whitehead, and Thompson.

Among the elected members, there have been removed by death the Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith and Mr. Jeremiah C. Garthwaite. Upon the occasion of the death, on the 9th of January, 1882, of Dr. Smith, action was taken by both Missionary Committees, on the day following, expressive of their sense of the great loss that had befallen them and the Board. The Minute of the Foreign Committee was afterward adopted as the action of the Board. Mr. Garthwaite's death occurred on the 16th of February last. At their next meeting the Domestic Committee adopted and reported a suitable Minute, which, by resolution, was made the action of the Board. All of these proceedings have been given to the Church at large, in the pages of "The Spirit of Missions."

A vacancy was caused among the elected members, by the consecration,

on the 15th of December, 1880, of the Rev. Dr. John Adams Paddock as Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory.

The resignations have been as follows:—

That of the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Hall, presented at the meeting of June 13, 1881, because he found by experience that he could not give sufficient time and thought to the work. An earnest request was preferred for its withdrawal; but, Dr. Hall feeling obliged to press it, it was accepted at the meeting held October 10, 1882.

Those presented and accepted at the meeting held December 12, 1881: viz., that of the Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, jun., because of residence abroad; that of Mr. Charles R. Marvin, because of inability to perform the duties of membership in consequence of long-continued ill-health; and that of Mr. Howard Potter, because of the pressing nature of other duties having prior claims upon his time. Mr. Marvin died at his residence in Brooklyn, on the 7th of July last.

These vacancies were severally filled by the election on the 13th of June, 1882, of the Rev. George Williamson Smith, S.T.D., Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, L I, and the Rev. Henry Y. Satterlee, D.D., Rector of Calvary Church, New York City: upon the 12th of December, 1882, of the Rev. Jacob S. Shipman, D.D., D.C.L., Rector of Christ Church, New York City: upon the 13th of March, 1883, of the Rev. William S. Langford, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Elizabeth, N.J.; Mr. John H. Shoenberger of Pittsburgh; and Mr. Julien T. Davies of New York City: and upon the 12th of June, 1883, of Mr. Alfred Mills of Morristown, N.J.

During the winter of 1881, Mr. Lloyd W. Wells, because of age and infirmity, was obliged to resign the position he had so long held, as Treasurer for Domestic Missions, and the office of Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to which he was elected at the last meeting of the Board of Missions. Mr. James M. Brown, as Senior Treasurer, was elected Treasurer of the Society; and Mr. William Bayard Cutting, Treasurer for Domestic Missions.

#### DEATH OF THE SECRETARY FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

In the accompanying volume of Reports for the year ending August 31 last, will be found supplemental pages announcing, with great sorrow, the death, on the 11th of November, of the Rev. Alvi Tabor Twing, D.D., for nineteen years connected with the Domestic Committee, and for sixteen of those years their Secretary, and since the organization of the Board of Managers, by reason of seniority in office, also its Secretary. The name of Dr. Twing had long been a household word throughout the length and breadth of the Church, and the affliction was one which was keenly felt wherever this Church had set up her standard. It is thought fitting that the memorial pages referred to should have a still more permanent place on the official records; and it is therefore requested that those pages should be published with this Report, in the Journal of the General Convention.

#### ELECTION OF A SECRETARY FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Neither the Domestic Committee nor the Board of Managers felt themselves prepared to take any early action with regard to filling the vacancy

caused by the death of the Rev. Dr. Twing, though at one time it was hoped that the services of the Rev. Dr. Leeds might be secured. This was shown to be impracticable by Dr. Leeds, because of his lack of health.

By resolution of the Domestic Committee, adopted November 14, 1882, approved by the Board at its meeting of December 12, the general oversight and direction of the work of the Committee was intrusted, for the time being, to the Rev. Dr. Potter and the Rev. Dr. Schenck, as Acting Secretaries. This arrangement continued until, at the meeting held June 12, last, the Rev. George Frederick Flichtner, Rector of St. Barnabas Church, Newark, N.J., who had efficiently served the Foreign Committee during the Rev. Mr. Kimber's leave of absence in the previous year, was elected Secretary *pro tempore* of the Domestic Committee. At the meeting on the 11th inst., Mr. Flichtner was duly elected as Secretary for Domestic Missions, and entered immediately upon the full duties of the office.

#### ORGANIZATION.

In accordance with the action of the Board of Missions, the Board of Managers met for organization on Friday, November 5, 1880, when the Secretaries and Treasurers for Domestic and Foreign Missions were re-elected; and, pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution, it formed from its own members a Committee for Domestic Missions, consisting of eight Clergymen and seven Laymen, and a Committee for Foreign Missions, of seven Clergymen and eight Laymen, and re-elected the Bishop of New York as chairman of the latter, and the Bishop of Long Island as chairman of the former. Since that time there have been held twelve seated sessions.

#### CENTRAL EXPENSES.

The percentage of central expenses for the triennium just past is lower, it is believed, than ever before. The Board of Managers, three years ago, communicated very fully its action upon this subject, and its reason for such action. It was then stated, that it had been "under the special and imperative necessity of making larger reductions than under other circumstances it would have approved." There have been no further reductions; but on the contrary, the circumstances having changed, and necessity having required it, there has been some increase in the expenditure. Ten thousand dollars of this expenditure, however, have, for the first time, been contributed from the profits of the stated publications, which had hitherto been to a greater or less extent a tax upon the resources of the Board. The average cost of administration and collection, and of making the work known to the Church, for the three years last past, has been to the Board six per cent.

#### FUNDS.

There are submitted herewith [see Appendix] as a part of this Report the usual tables of gross receipts and payments in the Domestic and Foreign Departments, the receipts of the Woman's Auxiliary for the several Departments, the number of Missionaries employed in the Domestic and Foreign fields, with some other particulars usually given; showing a total income of \$1,169,658, being an increase of \$220,731 over the previous three years.

## NEW JURISDICTIONS.

The creation of the new Missionary Jurisdictions in New Mexico, Montana, and Washington Territory, at the last session of the General Convention, necessarily added largely to the demands upon the Domestic Department for appropriations; but the gross receipts applicable to the payment of such appropriations seem, as has been the case under similar circumstances in the past, to have increased sufficiently to meet them, or nearly so.

## RECOGNIZED AUXILIARIES.

Up to a very recent date, the number of recognized Auxiliaries has continued without change. The Annual Reports of The Woman's Auxiliary, the American Church Missionary Society, and the League in Aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church, are contained in the volumes before mentioned, which accompany this Report.

At the meeting of the 11th inst, the Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews was recognized as an Auxiliary to this Society by the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:—

*Whereas*, The Missionary Canon commits to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society all the general Missionary work of the Church; and,

*Whereas*, A certain Corporation known as the Church Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews is carrying on a general Missionary work not now being prosecuted by the Board of Managers; and,

*Whereas*, The said Corporation is desirous of recognition by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Church Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews be, and is hereby, recognized as an Auxiliary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, for the carrying-on of Missionary work among the Jews, on the following terms: viz., The said Society to retain its corporate organization and the administration of its funds, and binding itself to report its proceedings annually to the Board of Managers for their information and approval; and that three members of this Board shall annually be elected members of the Board of Managers of the said Church Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews.

## MISSIONARY CONFERENCES.

The clause of the Constitution which makes it the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings to be held at the same time and place with the General Convention, and at such other times and places as may be determined upon, has been constantly in mind. Missionary Conferences, continuing over two or three days, have been held with good success in Trenton, Rochester, New-York City, New Haven, Boston, Utica, Buffalo, Brooklyn, and Albany. Deputation Missionary meetings have also been held in Charleston, Savannah, and Wilmington, N.C., Michigan City, Ind, Cincinnati and Zanesville, O.; the two last-named being in connection with the Convention of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

The programmes to be distributed at the first meeting of the Board will show what arrangements have been made for Missionary meetings in Philadelphia during the coming session of the General Convention.

## STATED PUBLICATIONS.

The former contract expiring early in the present term of the Board, an engagement for the printing and issuing of "The Spirit of Missions" and "The Young Christian Soldier and the Carrier Dove" was entered into with Mr. A. G. Sherwood of the American Church Press of New-York City, which has resulted advantageously to the Board, as before shown. Both periodicals have been well sustained throughout the term, and the subscription-list shows the number of subscribers to the former to be 5,940, and to the latter 50,057. Constant effort has been made to increase the circulation, with some success.

## SYSTEMATIC OFFERING PLAN.

The Board has given unremitting care to the development of the Systematic Offering Plan adopted upon its recommendation by the Board of Missions at its last session. The growth of the plan has not been as rapid as its friends hoped it might be; but there is no question, that if its general adoption could be secured, and if it should be effectively worked, the distress caused by a fluctuating revenue would be very largely counteracted.

The Board of Managers has seen the necessity of modifying one of the provisions of the plan. As submitted, it contained the provision, that the division of the proceeds "not specifically designated for a particular department of Missionary work" should be "*pro rata* to the appropriations for each department." It was found, however, in the practical working of this rule, that considerable difficulty had arisen, (*a*) out of questions as to the intentions of donors of undesignated subscriptions; and (*b*) as to what obligations should be reckoned in by each Committee; (*e g.*, whether or no past and accumulated indebtedness should be so reckoned) in estimating such *pro rata* division. It was therefore resolved so to amend the plan as to authorize the equal division between the Domestic and Foreign Departments of all contributions to General Missions not otherwise specifically designated, and that, either Department having received the amount appropriated for the year, the balance should go to the other Department.

## THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SOCIETY.

The Board of Managers, at the meeting in March last, committed to a Special Committee, as a subject for inquiry, what amendments or alterations, if any, should be made in the Constitution of the Society to give greater efficiency to the Missionary work of the Church. The suggestions of that Committee, approved by the Board at its meeting on the 11th inst., are herewith embodied as follows:—

I. The Foreign Committee of the Board of Managers ask what changes, if any, should be made in Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., Sub-Section 7, which relates to the appointing of Standing Committees by Foreign Missionary Bishops. As the Canon stands now, it is optional with the Bishop: "He *may* appoint," etc. In the case of Domestic Missionary Bishops, the Canon is imperative: "He *shall* appoint," etc.

Your Committee are unanimous in the opinion that Title I., Canon 15,



etc., should be amended so as to make the appointment of a Standing Committee in all cases imperative. And they recommend, further, that instead of "not less than two nor more than five Presbyters," as at present, such Standing Committees in Foreign Jurisdictions, whenever practicable, should be composed partly of Clergymen and partly of Laymen; and, that such Standing Committees shall have powers (so far as applicable) such as are granted to a Standing Committee under the Canons of the Digest and the Canons of the Diocese which shall have been adopted by the said Missionary Jurisdiction under the provision of the next Sub-Section (i.e., Title I, Canon 15, Section viii. [8]); the Bishop and said Standing Committee to constitute the "Local Authorities" in whom certain powers are vested by Article VI. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. They also recommend, that "Board of Missions" be changed, throughout the Digest, to "Board of Managers," where the sense requires it. They further recommend, that the Secretary of the Board of Missions be instructed to convey this action to the Committee on Canons, which shall be appointed by the next General Convention, for their consideration and approval if it seem good to them.

II. An opinion by William G. Low, Esq., as to the legal status of the Secretaries of the Foreign and Domestic Committees in the Board of Managers, was submitted to your Special Committee for consideration. And they are unanimously of the opinion, that Mr. Low's construction of the civil statute of the State of New York is undoubtedly correct: No Trustee of "the Board of Missions" or "the Board of Managers" can be a salaried officer of the same. But, as the presence of our Secretaries is generally indispensable at our meetings, your Committee are of opinion that the spirit of the statute will be complied with if the power to vote be denied the Secretaries of the two Committees. They suggest the following change in Title III., Canon 9, Article IV.: After the word "Secretaries" insert in brackets "[who shall be entitled to a seat and voice, but not to a vote]." The spirit of the statute seems to aim at depriving a Trustee of the power to vote himself compensation. If the Board of Managers agree with the Committee, they suggest that this proposed amendment take the same course as just now suggested in the other case.

III. With reference to other proposed changes in the Missionary Canon, your Committee further report as follows:—

That Title III., Canon 9, Article VI., be amended by inserting the words "and dismiss" after the word "appoint" and before the words "the Missionaries"; and that, further, it be so amended in the last line as to read, "*Subject to the approval* of the Board of Managers," instead of "*with the approval*," etc. The reason for this proposed change is, that the Board of Managers is now little more than a clerk of record. Its power is to vote money, with little or no voice as to its expenditure.

Your committee think, further, that Article VII. of the same Canon should be radically changed. After stating who may be appointed Missionaries, there is this proviso added: "But nothing in this section precludes the Board of Managers from making pecuniary appropriations in aid of Missions under the care of other Churches in communion with this Church." Your Committee are of the opinion that the practical working of this canonical provision has not been satisfactory.

The Board of Managers have from time to time made appropriations

to certain Independent Churches (so called), without the power, apparently, of knowing or finding out how the expenditures were made. The Church at large demands a change of this policy; and, if this Board is to retain the confidence of the Church, it will wisely consider in what respect a change may be brought about without imperilling any existing interests. The Committee recommend that the following be added after the word "Church" in the seventh line: "Provided that all such pecuniary appropriations so made shall be acknowledged to this Board, with a detailed report of the disbursement and expenditure of the same." Your Committee are not strenuous as to the frequency of such reports: annually or semi-annually would suffice. A minority of the Committee favoured a recommendation to strike out the whole section, and to bring about an entire change of policy on the part of the Board, giving "Specials" to such Foreign or Independent Churches, and making "Appropriations" only to the Missionary work controlled directly by this Board.

The Board adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That such amendments to the Canons as are above suggested and now approved by this Board be submitted, through the Board of Missions, to the next General Convention, for approval and adoption.

The Special Committee made the following suggestions, which are respectfully offered to the Board of Missions for its consideration:—

There are other changes in the Canon which will soon demand consideration, but at this time your Committee does not formally present them.

Among these changes is the question of how to multiply Auxiliaries, and make them a living power. Distant Dioceses cannot be represented in the Board, because they are distant; but it is vitally important to retain and increase their interest in the work of Missions at home and abroad.

Again: whether it is not desirable that Bishops receiving contributions for Missionary work in the way of "Specials," so-called, should acknowledge the same through "The Spirit of Missions," or in their Annual Reports, that more accurate statistics may be obtained of the contributions of the Church to Missionary objects.

Again: whether a Missionary Bishop should not have secured to him, by Canon, the option of continuing to be the Bishop of his jurisdiction when it is created a Diocese.

Again: whether a Missionary Bishop should have the right of dropping from his list of nominations a Presbyter or Deacon whom he has appointed to a Missionary work, without the consent of his Standing Committee.

Again: whether a Missionary Bishop should continue to receive a salary as such, from the Board, after his jurisdiction has been created a Diocese.

By order and in behalf of the Board of Managers.

NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,	}	<i>Special Committee.</i>
JOSHUA KIMBER,		
GEORGE FREDERICK FLICHTNER,		

MISSION ROOMS, 21-26 BIBLE HOUSE, New York, September, 1883.

## APPENDIX II.—2.

## MEMORIAL OF ALVI TABOR TWING, D.D.

It is with great sorrow that we announce to our readers the death of the Rev. Dr. Twing, late Secretary of the Board of Managers, and for Domestic Missions, of this Society. This sad event took place at his residence, No. 7 Gramercy Park, New York, on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 11, 1882.

Dr. Twing was in the seventy-second year of his age, and had just completed nineteen years of service in connection with the Mission work of the Church. In November, 1863, he was appointed "to present the claims of our Domestic Missionary Field throughout the country." This arrangement continued about two years; for in January, 1866, the Domestic Committee officially announced to the Church, that, the Rev. Dr. Carder having been granted a leave of absence for a few months in consequence of loss of health, "the Rev. Dr. Twing will act as Associate Secretary and General Agent," and that "the Domestic Department of 'The Spirit of Missions' will be edited by the Rev. Dr. Twing." Upon the death of Dr. Carder, on the eighteenth day of August, 1866, Dr. Twing succeeded immediately to the position of Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee; which appointment was formally approved by the Board of Missions at their thirty-first Annual Meeting in the Church of the Ascension in New York, Oct. 3, 1866. As such he continued to perform the duties of the position until the re-organization of the Board by the General Convention held in Boston in 1877. Immediately thereafter, at the first meeting of the Board of Managers, the title of "General Agent" was dropped. Dr. Twing was then elected Secretary of the Domestic Committee, and, under the By-laws adopted, became by reason of seniority Secretary of the Board of Managers.

Touching Dr. Twing's connection with the work, it is not too much to say, that he has succeeded in infusing a spirit of enthusiasm for Missions into a very large portion of the Church. More than any other one man, he has been God's agent in bringing about this grand result. The whole story is told very practically in the aggregates of receipts as shown in the Annual Report for each year. The gross receipts for Domestic Missions for the year ending Oct. 1, 1863, were \$37,458. Those for the next year (Dr. Twing's first year) were \$66,581. The Report for the second year thereafter (October, 1866), the first signed by him as Secretary, gives the receipts for all purposes as \$78,184; while those for the fiscal year last closed (September, 1882) were no less than \$228,375. Such facts sufficiently show how the magnetic power of the man had impressed the contributors of the Church; for even the legacies received during the last year were for the most part, if not altogether, from wills written after this great Missionary awakening. When Dr. Twing became Secretary and General Agent, there were but three Missionary Bishops in the Domestic field: at the date of his death, this number had increased to thirteen.

None were more impressed by him than the children of the Church, who have given for General Missions, in several recent years, nearly as much as the amount contributed yearly by the entire Church for the Doctor's department before his connection with it.

While by no means resting in mere machinery, he recognized the value of fresh expedients for quickening and developing Missionary interest, and devised them with rare skill.

In 1865 he organized, at the beginning of that year, a Domestic Missionary Army, which enrolled scores of thousands of those who, in their baptism, had been made Christian soldiers. These children had their generals and other officers; and each member was furnished with a certificate of enrolment, badges, and other emblems. He carried this organization successfully through the five years' service for which it was formed.

In Advent, 1867, the children's paper, called "The Young Christian Soldier," appeared. It was Dr. Twing's own thought, and with him a work of love. Determined to have the paper, if possible, in every Sunday school, he afterward purchased "The Children's Guest," published by the Church Book Society, and consolidated it with "The Soldier." Still later, by agreement between the Secretaries, and upon their proposition to their Committees, "The Young Christian Soldier" and "The Carrier Dove" were united in one; the latter, with the exception of "The Child's Paper," issued by the American Tract Society, being the oldest paper for children published in the United States.

In connection with the Domestic Missionary Army and the publication of "The Soldier," were held in 1868, and at other times, some of the grandest assemblies of children ever gathered in this land, — notably, the first review of the organization alluded to, which was held in New-York City, in Steinway Hall, on the twenty-ninth day of May in the year mentioned; and during the General Convention in Boston in 1877, when not much less than five thousand children were gathered in the great Moody and Sankey Tabernacle.

Dr. Twing, moreover, always took a leading part in arranging the General Missionary Meetings at the times and places of the meetings of the Board of Missions, the Delegate Meetings of the Board, and, more recently, the Missionary Conferences.

In 1870 he introduced, for the use of children and others, the Mite Chests, of which nearly fifty thousand have been issued. These little appliances brought into the Treasury of the Domestic Committee, in three years and eight months, the large sum of seventy-four thousand dollars.

A work no less truly his own, and of equal if not greater influence upon the Missionary activities of the Church, was his organization in the autumn of 1868, under the name of "The Ladies' Domestic Missionary Relief Association," of the individual Parish Societies which had been preparing boxes for the Missionaries, some of them for many years. At the end of three years, by order of the Board of Missions, the Secretaries organized the women of the Church in the present form of the Auxiliary to the Board in its work in all departments. The former Society was merged into this. In ten years the Woman's Auxiliary has contributed (in cash and in the estimated value of the boxes sent to the field) more than \$789,000. Large as these figures are, they give no adequate idea of the relief and joy thus afforded to the Church's toiling servants on the frontier and abroad.

## DR. TWING'S ILLNESS.

On Tuesday, October 17, Dr. Twing left the Mission Rooms in his usual health, to inspect the work among the coloured people in Petersburg and Lawrenceville, Brunswick County, Va.; Mrs Twing accompanying him. He was present at a public service in St. Stephen's Church at the former place, the Rev. Giles B. Cooke, Rector, on Wednesday evening, and addressed the congregation. The next morning he attended at the gathering of the schools, and made a second address, which he followed by an informal talk in each of the several departments. He sat for an hour among the Theological students, and discoursed with them most lovingly. Thence he proceeded to his second appointment; and, in order to reach it, he was obliged to ride twenty-four miles, on a stormy day, over a rough country road, the ride taking five full hours.

On Sunday morning, October 22, he preached in the Parish Church at Lawrenceville; and on the afternoon of the same day, in the open air, to a congregation of about one thousand negroes. The Rev. Green Shackelford, Rector, the Rev. J. S. Russell, his assistant, and the Rev. S. D. McConnell of Philadelphia, said Evening Prayer. The Holy Communion was administered to about three hundred persons. The following morning Dr. Twing returned to Richmond, by the same five hours' ride by wagon and two or three hours by rail. The journey and the excitement of the visit proved too much for his strength; and that evening he was seized with a violent attack of *angina pectoris*, and, after two days of great pain and weakness, left his bed, and came back to New York by sleeping-car, arriving here on the morning of Thursday, October 26. On reaching home, he expressed his thankfulness at finding himself among its bright and cheerful surroundings; but it was soon evident that his anxiety to return to his work could not be gratified. His physicians recognized immediately the serious nature of his complaint, and he acquiesced without a murmur in their decision that he should remain in his room. There on Saturday, November 4, he received the Holy Communion at the hands of his pastor and friend, the Rev. Dr. Potter; and from that moment he dismissed his work as done. On the Friday following, the Commendatory Prayer was said by Dr. Potter in his behalf; and the next morning, at two o'clock, he passed peacefully away.

## THE FUNERAL SERVICES.

The services at the funeral of the Rev. Dr. Twing were held in Grace Church, New York, on Tuesday, November 14, at two o'clock in the afternoon. The church was filled to its utmost capacity. One hundred and sixty-three Clergymen gathered in the chantry, the most of them robed, besides a large number who were seated in the church. The procession was headed by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Potter, Bishop of New York, and President of the Foreign Committee; who was followed by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, Bishop of Long Island and President of the Domestic Committee; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Bissell, Bishop of Vermont; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Elliott, Missionary Bishop of Western Texas; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Starkey, Bishop of Northern New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Potter, Rector of Grace Church; the Rev. Mr. Mottet, Pastor of the Church of the Holy Communion; the Rev. Drs. Leeds and Schenck of the Domestic Committee; the Rev. Dr. Kirkby; and the Rev. Mr. Kimber, Secretary of the Foreign Committee.



Next in order came the pall-bearers, who were: —

The Rev. Dean Hoffman,	Mr. J. C. Garthwaite,
The Rev. W. N. McVickar,	Mr. C. Vanderbilt,
The Rev. Dr. Reese,	Mr. William Scott,
The Rev. Dr. J. Houston Eccleston,	Mr. William G. Low,
The Rev. Dr. Davies,	Hon. Benjamin Stark,
The Rev. Dr. Saul,	Mr. Lemuel Coffin,
The Rev. Dr. Tatlock,	Hon. H. P. Baldwin,
The Rev. Dr. Geo. Williamson Smith,	Mr. R. Fulton Cutting,
The Rev. Dr. H. Y. Satterlee,	Mr. Howard Potter,
Mr. F. S. Winston,	Hon. John A. King,
Mr. W. Bayard Cutting;	

all being members of the Board of Managers. These were followed by the Clergy not officiating, representing the Dioceses of Albany, Central New York, Connecticut, Fond du Lac, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Long Island, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Northern New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Vermont, and Virginia, and the Missionary Jurisdictions of Africa, Japan, Niobrara, and Western Texas. The representative character of this great gathering was also made more complete by the presence of a Clergyman of the Church of England.

There were also officially present the staff of the Mission Rooms, and the Ministers of other Communions connected with the Bible House.

By request of Mrs. Twing, the Order of Service was as follows: The choir of Grace Church sang the 187th Hymn as a prelude. The Opening Sentences were read by the Bishop of Long Island. The Anthem was chanted. The Lesson was read by the Bishop of Western Texas. The Rev. Dr. Leeds announced the 176th Hymn. The Bishop of Northern New Jersey led in the Apostles' Creed. The Bishop of Vermont said the Versicles and Prayers, which were as follows: —

The Lord's Prayer; the Collects for Easter-Even, Ascension-Day, and All-Saints' Day; that in the Office for the Visitation of the Sick, "which may be said in behalf of all present;" and the Concluding Prayer in the Office of Institution. The Bishop of New York pronounced the Benediction, "The God of Peace," etc.; immediately after which the *Nunc Dimittis* was chanted, all kneeling. The Rev. Mr. Kimber announced that those who desired to look once more upon the face of our departed friend and brother would have opportunity so to do immediately after the close of the Service, in the chantry adjoining; and the Rev. Dr. Schenck gave out the closing hymn, the 36th, which was sung while the procession passed down the aisle.

In the chantry, the casket was guarded by two Clergymen in surplices, — the Rev. Dr. Malcom and the Rev. S. B. Moore, who had been associated with Dr. Twing in the General work. The congregation moved from the church through the south transept into the chantry, and, passing the casket, left by the street-door. Probably not less than one thousand persons availed themselves of this opportunity.

#### THE INTERMENT SERVICES.

On the following day, Wednesday, November 15, a large congregation of Dr. Twing's former parishioners and friends filled Trinity Church, Lansingburg, in the Diocese of Albany, where the final services were



held. There were twenty Clergymen in the chancel, and several in the pews. The Hymns sung were the 495th, the 260th, and the 335th. The Rev. F. L. Norton read the discretionary portion of the Litany, and the Bishop of the Diocese suitable Collects.

The interment was under the shadow of the church so long in Dr. Twing's pastoral charge; the Bishop of the Diocese reading the Opening Sentences, the Bishop of Vermont the Committal and the Anthem, and the Rev. Mr. Kimber the appointed Prayers, after which the Bishop of Albany pronounced the Apostolic Benediction.

The bells of all the churches in the village tolled continuously.

#### ACTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN COMMITTEES.

On Tuesday afternoon, immediately following the Services at Grace Church, the Domestic and Foreign Committees each convened in their own room, under a notice previously issued for their stated meetings; and by adjournment they came together in joint session to take action on behalf of the Board of Managers. A Special Committee consisting of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Elliott, the Rev. Dr. Leeds, the Rev. Dr. Eccleston, Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, and Mr. Lemuel Coffin were appointed to prepare a suitable Minute, which was adopted as follows:—

#### MINUTE.

The removal from his earthly labours of the venerable Secretary of this Board, the Rev. ALVI TABOR TWING, D.D., is to its members, as well as to the Church at large, an occasion of mingled sorrow and joy,—sorrow for the loss of his valuable services, but joy for his entrance upon the rest that remaineth for the faithful labourer.

For a period of sixteen years Dr. Twing was the Secretary and General Agent of the Committee for Domestic Missions, his connection with which marked an era in their history. From the first day of his appointment, even to the last, he was felt to be a power. His quickening influence was discernible everywhere in an awakened interest on behalf of Missions and an enlarged scope of the Church's aggressive movement. Wholly lost in his work, he had the satisfaction of seeing its field extended, its appliances multiplied, its literature improved, and its hold on the heart and conscience of the people strengthened, year by year.

He brought to the office he so successfully filled qualifications of no common order, to which, it might be said, he was himself a stranger before his appointment, and which, but for this appointment, might never have been revealed. He was apparently designed for just such a position as this, as he was designed for no other. To a natural warmth of heart he united intense enthusiasm and rare devotion in his Master's cause; combining with these a Catholic breadth of sympathy, a solidity of judgment, a tenacity of purpose, and a loyalty to authority, which are seldom to be found in one and the same person. He had the bravery of a chieftain, and the winning manner of a leader, with which to attract a kindred following. His commanding presence and equally commanding voice rose above all discouragements, to the great relief of his brethren in hours of trial. His strength was, as it were, the strength of a giant; and to his powers of endurance, under a fearful accumulation of responsibility and toil, there was for a time no seeming limit.

One cannot fail, at an hour like this, to recall these traits, these characteristic features; nor yet to remember with what genuine modesty and almost childlike simplicity and transparency of spirit they were blended both in public and in private.

Dr. Twing will be sadly missed, not only in the Rooms of the Domestic Committee, where his cordial and sunny welcome greeted all who entered; but far out on the frontier, in mountains and valleys and on wide-spread prairies, where he knew, as few know, the Missionaries themselves — to whom his animating and sustaining letters were perhaps more valuable than the remittances they enclosed. His latest service was to the coloured population of Brunswick County, Virginia; his journey to whom precipitated a death which, alas! was impending many months before.

In the often delicate relations of the Domestic and Foreign Committees, Dr. Twing was a wise and generous coadjutor. He saw no antagonism between the two, but on the contrary, a unity of aim and a like fulfilment in their respective spheres of the one great command of our Lord and Saviour.

This Board would place upon permanent record its unanimous testimony to his Christian character and distinguished usefulness, most earnestly invoking the Great Head of the Church to guide to the selection of one like-minded to take up his responsible and difficult task. They beg also to tender to Mrs. Twing assurances of their heartfelt sympathy, together with the expression of their grateful appreciation of her invaluable counsel and help to their departed friend.

ROBERT W. B. ELLIOTT,  
GEORGE LEEDS,  
J. HOUSTON ECCLESTON,  
J. C. GARTHWAITE,  
LEMUEL COFFIN.

At the meeting of the Committees referred to, the Rev. J. L. Reese, D.D., the Rev. Joshua Kimber, and Mr. J. W. Fuller were appointed a Special Committee on behalf of the Board to attend the interment Services.

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## APPENDIX II.—3.

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### TRIENNIAL REPORTS OF MISSIONARY BISHOPS.

(The reports of the Missionary Bishops of Dakota, Niobrara, Northern Texas, Western Texas, Northern California, New Mexico and Arizona, Montana, and Shanghai, are included in the "Tabular View," etc.: see Appendix I. 2.)

#### I.

#### THE MISSIONARY BISHOP OF OREGON.

The division of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Oregon and Washington Territory left, to the former, 15 Clergymen beside the Bishop, 23 churches,

two boarding-schools with 16 teachers and over 200 pupils, and a well-appointed hospital and orphanage.

The cash endowments for Diocesan, educational, and hospital purposes, amount to something over \$50,000.

An Episcopal Residence has been erected, which, with the lot on which it stands, is worth \$20,000. There is on this property an indebtedness of \$1,000.

B. WISTAR MORRIS,

*Missionary Bishop of Oregon.*

(For statistics, see "Tabular View," etc., Appendix I. 2.)

## II.

### THE MISSIONARY BISHOP OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

*To the House of Bishops in General Convention.*

Herewith is presented the Triennial Report of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Colorado and Wyoming for the past three years. It will be seen from the statistics (see "Tabular View," etc., Appendix I. 2), that the work is progressing satisfactorily. The number of Parishes and organized Missions is 42; the number of resident Clergy, 28, of whom 24 are doing Parochial and Missionary work. The number of Communicants is 2,100.

The offerings for all purposes within the Jurisdiction, for three years, have been over \$100,000.

It is believed that the time has come when Wyoming ought to be made a separate Missionary District. Five Clergy (one of them from Utah, one Sunday a month) are labouring in the Territory. The Mission to the Shoshones and Northern Arapahoes is very important, and needs constant oversight and help. There are many villages and hamlets growing up, which can be visited only in the summer months, when the present Bishop must be looking after the remoter parts of Colorado. Doubtless the erection of Wyoming into a Jurisdiction would greatly stimulate the energies and call out more of the resources of the people.

The Bishop would have to be, and ought on every account to be, the chief itinerant Missionary. He would naturally have charge of one of the principal Parishes, with an assistant, so that he would have ample time for itinerant Missionary work.

Even if a Bishop be not elected for the present, there would be many advantages in making Wyoming a Missionary Jurisdiction, putting it under the charge provisionally of some neighbouring Bishop.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. SPALDING,

*Missionary Bishop of Colorado.*

PHILADELPHIA, October 3, 1883.

## III.

### THE MISSIONARY BISHOP OF UTAH AND IDAHO.

Since the last General Convention, the work both in the Churches and the schools in this District has steadily advanced.

Four Parsonages have been built, and one Church has been consecrated.

No debt rests upon any one of the five Churches in the field.

A boarding-school for girls has been opened in Salt Lake City, Utah; and it has an endowment of five thousand dollars, the income to furnish education to a daughter of a Clergyman as beneficiary.

In our Utah schools, 700 pupils are in daily attendance.

In our St. Mark's Hospital, Salt Lake City, we have cared for more than 1,100 patients.

DANIEL S. TUTTLE,

*Missionary Bishop of Utah and Idaho.*

(For statistics, see "Tabular View," etc., Appendix I. 2.)

#### IV.

#### THE MISSIONARY BISHOP OF NEVADA.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.*

The three years since the last meeting of the General Convention, I have spent in Nevada, with the exception of a few days in California for needed change and rest.

The depressed condition of business in the State, of which I spoke in my last Report, still continues, and affects seriously the ability of our people to sustain the Church-work begun, and deters them from undertaking more. None of our Parishes have gained in strength during these three years, and most have lost largely by removals. But the educational part of our work has improved. The Diocesan School for Girls is now in a more prosperous condition than ever before, and exerting a wide influence for good.

O. W. WHITAKER,

*Missionary Bishop of Nevada.*

VIRGINIA, NEV., September 14, 1883.

(For statistics, see "Tabular View," etc., Appendix I. 2.)

#### V.

#### THE MISSIONARY BISHOP OF WASHINGTON.

The undersigned respectfully reports, that, having been consecrated on the 15th of December, A.D. 1880, he has since that time been constantly engaged in efforts to advance the work committed to his care. Some proposals, looking to the endowment of Church schools, having been made on the condition of certain sums being raised towards the erection of school-buildings, considerable time was given during last winter to the raising of the requisite sum; and, as the result, about \$25,000 was given or pledged for the object desired.

Official duties have been enumerated in Annual Reports to Board of Missions, printed in "Spirit of Missions." During that portion of three years which has elapsed since the consecration of the present incumbent, there have been laid the corner-stones of four Churches or Chapels; two Churches have been consecrated; a Church hospital has been built and opened, and the beginning made of two buildings for boarding and day schools for girls. The amount of Church property thus gained is estimated to be about \$200,000. Under the General Law of the Territory, a Corporation has been formed, composed of the Bishop, one Presbyter,

and three Laymen, known as "The Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Washington Territory," empowered to hold all property committed to their care.

I have confirmed 122 in the Territory, have ordained two to the Diaconate, and two to the Priesthood.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. PADDOCK,

*Missionary Bishop of Washington.*

(For statistics, see "Tabular View," etc., Appendix I. 2.)

## VI.

### THE BISHOP OF CAPE PALMAS AND PARTS ADJACENT.

#### *To the House of Bishops.*

After the adjournment of last General Convention, I remained within the United States until 15th of June, 1881, during which time I was going about among the Churches and Dioceses, representing the cause of Foreign Missions. On the 15th of June I sailed from New York for Monrovia, in the barque "Liberia," taking with me Mrs. Penick and an assistant teacher for Cape Mount School (Miss Lizzie Labney). We reached Liberia 23d of July, 1881: thanks be to God. During my stay at Monrovia, I called together the Clergy of the so-called Liberian Church, and communicated to them personally the action of the House of Bishops touching their memorial. This caused joy, and gave satisfaction: thus was healed the sad breach in our ranks; and I had the pleasure of preaching in Trinity Church, Monrovia, on the Sunday after my arrival. We remained a week at Monrovia; and, though I was anxious to confirm the class reported as ready, they could not be gotten together. The same was the case during three other visits to that place. This was owing partly to the imperfect facilities for communicating, and partly to the natural slowness of the Africans in their own country. Cape Mount was reached the first week in August. Here, finding the health of Rev. Curtis Grubb and wife very bad, I gave my consent for them to go to America; but, before their departure, attended the final examination of Mr. Grubb for Priest's Orders, Revs. J. McNabb and William A. Fair assisting. His papers being all complete, and it being impossible to get together the required number of Clergy to ordain him, I requested the Bishop of Virginia to ordain him for me, which he did in 1882; and, in the same year, I transferred Rev. Curtis Grubb to the Diocese of Virginia. On the 9th of October, 1881, I confirmed four, — the first-fruits at Cape Mount. Two others were confirmed, and added to this number, a few days later. October 10, confirmed seven in St. James's Church, Hoffman Station, Cape Palmas; November 6, confirmed twelve in Church of Epiphany, Cavalla; November 13, confirmed twelve in St. Mark's Church, Cape Palmas. During October and November I visited all the boarding-schools of the Jurisdiction, and preached and administered Holy Communion in all the Churches at the south end of the Jurisdiction, and took steps to have such buildings as seemed desirable put in repair.

We returned to Cape Mount, giving Monrovia another week, but, failing to get the class for confirmation together, was again disappointed as to confirming. January 19, 1882, married Rev. J. McNabb, to Miss



Lizzie Labney. January 20, visited Monrovia. January 25, confirmed three at Grand Bassa; January 26, confirmed one at Grand Bassa. While at Grand Bassa, I made arrangements to have the Church-building (for which funds had long been in hand) erected.

Reached Sinoe: preached, and confirmed one. The Church here, I found as near dead as I have ever seen one, and with little hope. Did what I could to strengthen things, and returned to Cape Mount, taking with me eighteen heathen children from Bassa, to attend Cape Mount School.

On reaching Cape Mount, I found Rev. J. McNabb very ill. From this time on, my time was occupied supervising things at this station. My health continued to grow worse and worse, until complete prostration came, August 19, the very day Rev. J. McNabb, with his wife (sick), sailed for America. The symptoms continued to increase in their distress, presenting signs of rapid decline and death: signs nobody in that clime ever disregards, or fails to recognize as indicative of fatality. So I sailed for America, *via* France and England, September 21. During October I visited the rooms of the Church Missionary Society of England, and conferred with its Secretaries concerning the work in Africa.

Arrived in the United States of America; and from that time on, by the grace of God, I have visited the Dioceses of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Southern Ohio, Maryland, Tennessee, preaching the great doctrines of Missions. During the month of May I was permitted to help my brother, the Bishop of Ohio; and at his request made eight visitations, and confirmed and reported to him 153 souls, presenting the cause of Missions as I went.

It was my pleasure to be at and participate in the Conference at Sewanee, Tenn., which concluded my acts entirely Episcopal. With this will be found a copy of a paper prepared and printed by me as setting forth some further facts. All of which I respectfully submit.

C. CLIFTON PENICK,

*Bishop of Cape Palmas and Parts Adjacent, West Africa.*

(For statistics, see "Tabular Views," etc., Appendix I. 2.)

The following paper was presented with the foregoing Report.

#### THE WORK IN AFRICA.

We have reached a crisis in this work. Since the year 1836 we have struggled on amid trials, blunders, discouragements, and death, such as our branch of the Church has nowhere else encountered. From the first we have felt that loyalty to Christ demanded of us the "preaching of the Gospel to these benighted people;" and we have kept a feeble light burning on that dark shore. But the force has ever been a weak one, and its support such as to keep the work at a low ebb. Many a city congregation spends on itself more than the whole 3,000 parishes of our Church, with their 352,000 Communicants, give for the entire work of Christ on the African Continent.

The appropriation for this work for the year from September, 1882, to September, 1883, was \$17,500. With this amount and what could be gotten in the field, we have supported 1 Bishop, 13 Clergy, 13 Catechists, and 4 Lay Readers. We board, clothe, and teach nearly 200 children in our boarding-schools, and teach 134 in our day-schools, with 557 in the Sunday



schools. The school at Cape Mount, with its 120 boarding-scholars, has been organized since my going to Africa in 1877; and notwithstanding this more than doubling of our boarding-scholars, with all the expense of farming, buildings, etc., the appropriation was \$17,500 in 1882 and 1883, against \$20,200 in 1876 and 1877, and this, too, when there was no Bishop's salary to pay. Thus we see the work has grown while the expenses have decreased.

Again: If we compare our African work with the other fields under our charge, using last year's report of statistics of work in these fields, and the latest report of the treasurer of our Foreign Committee, for the amounts paid to them, we have: China with 336 Communicants, giving \$540, having 566 Sunday-school scholars, had 2 confirmed, and receives from us \$44,617. Japan has 105 Communicants, 87 Sunday-school scholars, contributes \$500, had 9 confirmed, receives from us \$33,957. Africa has 408 Communicants, 557 Sunday-school scholars, gave \$890, had 46 confirmed, and receives from us \$17,868.

I present these figures and facts to correct what I believe to be an erroneous opinion in regard to the work in Africa. For some years past, there has been a strong tendency to look upon this field as the most discouraging, and of less importance than the others under our supervision. If this be true, it must be traced to other causes than want of results proportionate to the expenditures.

The chief cause of difficulty lies, as is well known, in the unhealthiness of the climate. We have had 3 Clergymen, 2 doctors, 3 Laymen, and 4 ladies go out since I entered upon the work in December, 1877. Of these, the 2 doctors — who were native-born — are dead; also, one of the Clergymen. Three of the ladies and the 3 Laymen have had to come back on account of ill health; of the 2 Clergymen, one had to return permanently, and the other temporarily, and is by no means certain that he can ever go back to the work. Thus we are left with one lone woman as the sole representative of our white workers.

What must we do for this people? That there is a work here of hope and promise, a work blessed of God, seems beyond doubt; and that we are confronted with most sickening and discouraging exhibitions of failing health, and death, is equally certain. These facts take this question out of the common routine of Committee or Board management, and force it back on the living heart of the whole Church, demanding of her combined powers of counsel, wisdom, and prayer, an answer for Humanity, the Gospel, and God.

In trying to reach some firm basis for reckoning, I have gathered facts it may be well to give here: I find that Sierra Leone (the mission nearest to ours) sent out, during the first twenty years, beginning in 1801, 38 men; and their term of service averaged 5 years and 2 months. During the second twenty years, they sent out 43 men, whose term of service averaged 8 years and 6 months. During the first fifty years, they sent 90 men; and their average term of service was 6 years 10½ months. In sixty-two years, the English have sent out 109 men and 17 women to this mission: the average term of the women's service was 7 years and 5 months.

Turning now to our Cape Palmas mission: We sent out 30 men and 36 women, from 1846 to 1871, say in 33 years. The average term of service for our men was 5 years and 1 month; for our women, 4 years 2½ months. Eleven of the 30 men died in the field, and 15 of the 36 women. The

average term of men and women together was 4 years and 7 months. If the English could call Sierra Leone "the white man's grave," how much more can we say the same of Liberia!

And now we stand confronting this scene of hope and fear. Duty and perplexity are before us. The failure of my health, from repeated attacks of fever, renders me unfit for service in that climate. I was attacked with fever in four weeks from the time of my arrival; and these attacks came every six, then five, then every four weeks, up to April, 1880, when I came to America. Returning in July, 1881, I was again attacked within four weeks, then three, then two, then every ten days; which was followed by complete prostration, with no power to rally *there*. My work there was done: the only question was, whether to remain and die, or to come to a climate where I could work on. Duty to God and man called me to the latter; and so I am here, and about to lay down this charge. I shall ever thank God that he called and permitted me to work there thus far. I would rather have done what I have for God and Africa, even if I had died there, than to have lived on a full lifetime here without having gone to their help.

In resigning the charge of this field, it is expected that I should give some suggestions as to what may appear to me best to be done. I therefore present the following, without being wedded to either plan:—

1st, The continuation of the present system.

2d, The sending out of a white Bishop, who shall spend the six rainy months at Madeira, and the dry months in the Jurisdiction. Madeira is healthy, within ten days' sail of any portion of the Jurisdiction, having a weekly steamer both ways, thus giving closer and more regular communication with the work than I had at Cape Mount.

3d, To elect a Negro Bishop, and place him in charge of the work. But I must say that all I have seen compels the conclusion that the first native Bishop should be trained as a Suffragan: so I think St. Paul trained Timothy and Titus, and so I believe God has ordained that the burden and care of ruling should be lowered on new churches gradually.

4th, The English might be asked to take this territory in the Sierra Leone district, with the consent of all parties.

5th, Schools on a large scale might be established in America, and the native children, in large numbers, brought and educated therein, so when returned to their people they would form a civilized, and, by the Grace of God, we hope a Christianized community, going on with the work. This plan, of course, implies money; but the time for stickling over money is before a man becomes a converted soul. So long as we love our money more than we do the saving of that continent for Christ, he will never let us glorify him in this matter. I believe that for \$100 per year each, the children can be brought over, educated, and sent back; and I am sure we would get far more good in our own lives and churches than the money is worth. I would give each child five years training: of course those taking professions would have a longer period.

These comprise all the suggestions that I would make. Do something we must: let us do it with a strong heart, steady hand, and firm faith, for God hath said, "If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established" (Isa. vii. 9).

Your fellow-worker for Christ and the World.

C. CLIFTON PENICK,

*Bishop of Cape Palmas and Parts Adjacent, West Africa.*

WHEELING, W. VA., September 20, 1883.

## VII.

## THE MISSIONARY BISHOP OF YEDO.

Since the last Triennial Report, with one most important exception — the number of Foreign Clergy — the Mission has grown in all directions.

Two Japanese have been ordained Deacons, and one foreigner has been advanced to the Priesthood.

The Committee appointed by the Conference of Missionaries in 1878, to prepare a Book of Common Prayer in Japanese, have published, in addition to the portions mentioned in the last report, the Occasional Prayers and Thanksgivings, the Collects, the Services for the Solemnization of Matrimony, Visitation of the Sick, Communion of the Sick, Burial of the Dead, Churching of Women, the Communion Service, and the Family Prayers. The translation of the Psalms is nearly completed, and will be published as soon as issued. The remaining portions — the Articles, the form of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons — will be prepared in due time.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has given official notice to the Church in the United States, of the appointment of an English Bishop for Japan; and the question of Jurisdiction is supposed to be settled.

C. M. WILLIAMS,

*Missionary Bishop of Yedo.*

TOKIO, September 8, 1883.

(For statistics, see "Tabular View," etc., Appendix I. 2.)

## VIII.

## STATEMENT OF THE BISHOP OF HAITI.

*To the General Convention assembled as the Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

It is now fully twenty-two years since the work of the Church in Haiti was founded.

During the first eleven years of its growth, three of the Diocesan Bishops of the Church in the United States visited that island to superintend the work, and to perform Episcopal functions. For nine years last past, a Bishop in the field has had charge of the work. Twenty-two ordained labourers have been at different times employed therein, thirteen of whom are still at their posts. Of the nine others, five have gone to their last repose; three others have been deposed from the Ministry, and one has gone to another field of labour.

At present we have nine organized Congregations, and 19 stations where Missionary services are held. The services of zealous Laymen, as Lay-readers and Evangelists, are made available, both in our organized Congregations and at our Mission stations. From among those thus employed, we have been able to draw recruits for the ranks of the Ministry as we have needed them; and the experience already acquired in the work by those recruits much enhances their practical ministerial usefulness. We now number in Haiti about four hundred Communicants, and very nearly two thousand souls, — men, women, and children, — whose religious allegiance is pledged to our Church.

As in the days of our Saviour and His Apostles, so it is now in the infant days of the Church in Haiti, in regard to the Gospel that we preach: it is mostly the common people who hear us gladly (S. Mark xii. 37).

But we are neither astonished nor discouraged at this result. On the contrary, we rather rejoice, that, in this respect, we, the disciples and servants of Him who spake as never man spake before, are thus deemed worthy to have our humble labours crowned with a result similar to that of our Divine Lord and Master. And we pray Him, as the Lord of the harvest, to raise up and send into this portion of His harvest-field more labourers, so that we may the more effectually illustrate by our work that crowning proof that He gave of His Messiahship; and thus, as he has told us that we shall always have the poor with us (S. Matt. xxvi. 11), so may we also be always able to say with Him, "the poor have the Gospel preached unto them" (S. Matt. xi. 5).

Following the example set by the blessed Apostles in founding the early Christian Churches, we have organized our first congregations in the principal towns and cities of Haiti. Such places furnish the best bases for continuous Gospel operations. Nevertheless, the most inviting field before us, and one which is already white for the harvest, is that offered by the simple-minded peasantry in the rural districts.

Five of our organized Congregations, and all our Mission stations, are established among them in the interior parts of the country. In this respect we have taken the lead of all the religious bodies of Haiti, not even excepting the Roman Catholics, whose religion is predominant in the country.

We feel that it is the part of wisdom to arrange the future of our work in Haiti chiefly in reference to this rural population. They form about four-fifths of the inhabitants of the whole island; and in time, by the acquisition of the necessary virtue and intelligence under the blessing of God, they must and should control its destinies.

However, almost every thing is yet to be done to develop among them the needed virtue and intelligence to justify them in exercising such a pre-eminence as their numbers entitle them to. The pure Gospel, proclaimed in all its fulness to the present adult population, and the careful training of their children in the principles of the same Gospel, along with intellectual culture and the practical inculcation of habits of industry, are the means to be employed to develop this virtue and intelligence.

This, therefore, is the work that the Church in Haiti has before it to do, if it is to prove itself the power of God unto salvation among this people, who, for want of the Gospel, are ready to perish amid the destructive conflicts engendered by the unregenerated and unsubdued passions of the natural man.

Encouraging progress has already been made in the first part of this work, by the preaching of the Gospel to adults, and by gathering them together in organized Congregations. It is now full time for the second part of the same work to be seriously undertaken; namely, the education of the youth already gathered under our influence, by a Churchly system, looking forward to the practical usefulness in future of those thus to be educated, when they shall be grown-up men and women.

To meet and supply this need, is emphatically the great touchstone and turning-point for weal or woe in the work that we have founded, and so far carried on in Haiti for the last twenty-two years with a good measure of success.

To supply this need, necessitates the repetition of the old call, upon which the changes have so long been rung, for "more men and more money." Thank God, we have no difficulty in finding the needed labourers: not only can we find them among ourselves in Haiti, but, in case of need, the whole of the British West Indies are at our beck and call, — islands where, the Church and Church-training institutions having long been established, there is no lack of labourers if their services should be required.

Therefore the only difficult problem that remains to be solved is that of supplying the money necessary to inaugurate the central training-institution that we propose to establish, and of which the Church has been fully advised through "The Spirit of Missions."

I close this statement, then, by making a most earnest appeal for the needed funds to found and carry on this work upon which, under God, all the future hopes of our Mission depend. We have had much to encourage us in our labours during the past twenty-two years, and so far let us admit that what has been done has been well and nobly done. But all this will be as nothing, only so much labour lost, if we do not now make sure of the future by taking in hand the present training of the youth that God has already given unto us.

Brethren, let us now, therefore, with the Apostle Paul, the great Missionary of the nations, forget those things that are behind, and reach forward unto those things which are before, in pressing ever onward and upward toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ our Lord!

JAMES THEODORE HOLLY, *Bishop of Haiti.*

PORT AU PRINCE, July 11, 1883.

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## APPENDIX II.—4.

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### CONSTITUTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE I. This institution shall be denominated "The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

ARTICLE II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, and the members for the time being of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to the said House of Deputies, and the members of the Board of Managers as hereinafter described. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the session of the General Convention, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand.

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Board of Managers, comprising all the



Bishops, the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed by the Board of Missions or by the Board of Managers, and fifteen Presbyters and fifteen Laymen to be appointed by the Board of Missions at every Triennial Meeting of the General Convention, who shall have the management of the General Missions of this Church, and shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. Eight Clerical members and eight Lay members shall constitute a quorum; but, whenever demanded by three members, a majority of the Bishops present, and a majority of the Clerical members present, and a majority of the Lay members present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board. This Board of Managers shall, when the Board of Missions is not in session, exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Board of Managers shall report to the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention. But nothing herein contained shall affect the rights of any surviving life-members of the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form, from its own members, a Committee for Domestic Missions and a Committee for Foreign Missions, and such other Committees as it may deem desirable to promote special Missionary work; and is also authorized to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on the work.

ARTICLE VI. The Board of Managers is intrusted with power to establish and regulate such Missions as are not placed under Episcopal supervision, and to enact all by-laws which it may deem necessary for its own government and for the government of its Committees: *Provided always*, that, in relation to organized Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions having Bishops, the appropriations shall be made in gross to such Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, to be disbursed by the local authorities thereof. The Board shall notify to the several Bishops the gross sums so appropriated; and those Bishops shall regulate the number of Mission stations, appoint the Missionaries, and assign to them their stipends, with the approval of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing Laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board of Managers is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at the same time and place as the General Convention, and at such other times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send one Clerical and one Lay Delegate.

ARTICLE IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, by the General Convention of this Church.



## APPENDIX II.—5.

## OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1883-1886.

## BOARD OF MANAGERS.

All the BISHOPS OF THIS CHURCH, members *ex officio*.

MR. JAMES M. BROWN, TREASURER OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, and THE TREASURERS OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN COMMITTEES, *ex officio*.

And, elected by the Board of Missions at the time of the General Convention of 1883:—

The Rev. H. DYER, D.D.

The Rev. GEORGE LEEDS, D.D.

The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.

The Rev. E. A. HOFFMAN, D.D.

The Rev. WILLIAM TATLOCK, D.D.

The Rev. WILLIAM N. MCVICKAR, D.D.

The Rev. J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D.D.

The Rev. J. H. ECCLESTON, D.D.

The Rev. THOMAS F. DAVIES, D.D.

The Rev. JAMES SAUL, D.D.

The Rev. GEORGE WILLIAMSON SMITH, S.T.D.

The Rev. HENRY Y. SATTERLEE, D.D.

The Rev. JACOB S. SHIPMAN, D.D., D.C.L.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. LANGFORD, D.D.

The Rev. CORNELIUS E. SWOPE, D.D.

Mr. F. S. Winston.

Mr. George N. Titus.

Mr. Lemuel Coffin.

Mr. William Scott.

Mr. Benjamin Stark.

Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

Mr. William G. Low.

Mr. H. P. Baldwin.

Mr. R. Fulton Cutting.

Mr. Joseph W. Fuller.

Mr. John A. King.

Mr. C. M. Conyngham.

Mr. Julien T. Davies.

Mr. John H. Shoenberger.

Mr. Alfred Mills.

The Rev. JOSHUA KIMBER, *Secretary of the Board*.

## COMMITTEE FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The Rt. Rev. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D., LL.D., *Chairman*.

The Rev. GEORGE LEEDS, D.D.

The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.  
 The Rev. WILLIAM N. McVICKAR, D.D.  
 The Rev. J. L. REESE, D.D.  
 The Rev. T. F. DAVIES, D.D.  
 The Rev. JAMES SAUL, D.D.  
 The Rev. WILLIAM S. LANGFORD, D.D.  
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 Mr. George N. Titus.  
 Mr. William Scott.  
 Mr. Benjamin Stark.  
 Mr. William G. Low.  
 Mr. H. P. Baldwin.  
 Mr. John A. King.  
 Mr. William Bayard Cutting, *ex officio*.  
 Mr. Alfred Mills.  
 The Rev. GEORGE F. FLICHTNER, *Secretary*, 22 Bible House, New York.  
 Mr. William Bayard Cutting, *Treasurer*, 22 Bible House, New York.

## COMMITTEE FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Rt. Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., *Chairman*.  
 The Rev. H. DYER, D.D.  
 The Rev. E. A. HOFFMAN, D.D.  
 The Rev. WILLIAM TATLOCK, D.D.  
 The Rev. J. H. ECCLESTON, D.D.  
 The Rev. GEORGE WILLIAMSON SMITH, S.T.D.  
 The Rev. HENRY Y. SATTERLEE, D.D.  
 The Rev. JACOB S. SHIPMAN, D.D., D.C.L.  
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 Mr. James M. Brown, *ex officio*.  
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 Mr. Joseph W. Fuller.  
 Mr. C. M. Conyngham.  
 Mr. Julien T. Davies.  
 Mr. John H. Shoenberger.  
 The Rev. JOSHUA KIMBER, *Secretary*, 23 Bible House, New York.  
 Mr. James M. Brown, *Treasurer*, 23 Bible House, New York.

## APPENDIX III.—1.

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MISSIONARY BISHOPS' FUND.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the  
United States.*

THE Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund respectfully present this their fourth triennial Report.

Referring to their last communication to the General Convention of 1880, the Trustees would recall the fact, that they then prayed the Convention (in view of the small result attending their labours) to relieve them of further responsibility. After much discussion, this course was not deemed wise by the Convention; and the following Trustees were elected: Henry Meigs of Northern New Jersey, L. N. Whittle of Macon, Ga., John W. Stebbins of Springfield, Mass., E. T. Wilder of Red Wing, Minn., and Woodbury G. Langdon of New York, N.Y. The Trustees thus appointed proceeded to organize by the election of Henry Meigs as Chairman, and Woodbury G. Langdon as Secretary and Treasurer. A circular, calling the attention of the Clergy to the action of the Convention, was immediately issued. Owing probably to the recent adjournment of that body, and the interest awakened by its debates, the return was larger than usual; the total receipts above all expenses being \$326.67 from twelve contributors, one donation being for \$150. This result did not appear to warrant the issue of a second circular, and the wisdom of abstention was subsequently proved.

In 1882 not a single donation was received; the only money handled by the Treasurer from October 14, 1881, to January 5, 1883, being the sum of \$174.69, interest on invested funds.

In December, 1882 (that no effort should be wanting), a circular was issued, of which the following is an extract:—

“Two years have elapsed since the last Convention met in New York; an appeal has been sent to every member of the Clergy: but the Missionary Bishops' Fund remains very nearly as small as it was in 1880. . . . The Trustees feel bound to make further efforts to enlarge the Fund, that they may be able to give a good account of their stewardship at the meeting of the Convention which will occur in 1883.

“The Trustees are definitely instructed by resolution to appeal directly to the Clergy, and are therefore unable to pursue any other course, even were it practicable to apply to laymen whose names it is impossible to obtain, and whose residences cover the whole surface of these vast United States. . . . Every Rector is familiar with the duty and requirements of

Missionary work; and to the Clergy, therefore, is left the choice of the manner best calculated to bring this cause near to the hearts of their people.

"The question stands as follows: The Trustees have been instructed to place the matter before the Clergy of the Protestant-Episcopal Church in the United States: they have faithfully performed the specific duty assigned to them. Are the Clergy willing to respond (through the gifts of their parishioners, and their efforts to interest their congregations in this object) to the recommendation and appeal of the General Convention?"

The reply to this was the receipt, from four contributors, of the total sum of \$46.96, — a small return for an issue of 1,800 circulars, being only \$21.09 in excess of the expense of printing and postage.

It would appear, therefore, that the capital of the Missionary Bishops' Fund has been increased by \$349.20 for interest collected, and \$255.52 by donations, less the expenses for collecting, etc. This sum is invested (together with the \$2,000 reported, as already invested, to the General Convention of 1880) as follows:—

\$2,000 in U. S. 4 per cent bonds (due in 1907), purchased at a premium of $17\frac{3}{4}$ per cent, costing	\$2,355 00
Balance in the hands of Treasurer, deposited at 4 per cent interest	319 30
Total	\$2,674 30

A full report from the Treasurer is annexed.

The income of the Fund during the past three years has been \$349.20, interest collected.

It may be well to add, that, although few letters have been received, nearly all contained more or less censure as to the methods of the Trustees, although the action taken by them was under direct instructions from the Convention. In one case, blame was attached to your Trustees for applying to the Rectors of Parishes, instead of to individuals. In order to test the question, a request was immediately sent to the complainant, for a parish list, a list of possible subscribers, or any advice as to means of reaching Laymen. A prompt refusal of both list and advice was the result, the criticisms being, however, maintained.

Your Trustees are therefore compelled to repeat, most respectfully, their request to be relieved of an onerous and unsatisfactory duty.

HENRY MEIGS, <i>Chairman</i> .	} Trustees.
WOODBURY G. LANGDON, <i>Sec.</i>	
L. N. WHITTLE, E. T. WILDER,	

NEW YORK, September 30, 1883.

P. S. — Since the above report was prepared, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees has received from the Rev. C. Kinloch Nelson, Rector of the Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, Penn., twenty-three dollars and seventy-five cents as a contribution to the Fund.

H. MEIGS, *Trustee and Chairman*.

PHILADELPHIA, October 6, 1883.

## APPENDIX III. — 2.

## TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE FUND.

THE MISSIONARY BISHOPS' FUND OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*In Account Current with* WOODBURY G. LANGDON *of New York,*  
*Trustee and Treasurer.*

## RECEIPTS.

1880.

October.	Balance received from Henry. Meigs, Esq., as per his account rendered to the Gen- eral Convention of 1880, as Treasurer of the Fund .....	\$81 58
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1881.

Jan. 3.	From six months' interest on \$2,000, U. S. 6's, 1881 .....	60 00
Jan. 17.	interest on deposits in New-York Savings Bank to Jan. 1, 1881....	23
Feb. 2.	Rev. Samuel Cox, D.D.....	50 00
Feb. 16.	Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson County, N.Y., through William C. Pierrepont .....	137 76
Feb. 16.	Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson County, N.Y., through William C. Pierrepont, special for Bishop of Montana.....	12 24
Feb. 16.	Alfred Elwyn, Germantown, Phila- delphia .....	1 00
Mar. 7.	St. Mary's Church, Cleveland, O., thro' Rev. J. Sidney Kent, Rector,	5 00
Mar. 9.	Sunday School, St. Thomas' Church, Bethel, Fairfield County, Conn., through Rev. E. C. Pattison, Rector, special for Bishop of Washington Territory.....	5 00
Mar. 21.	I. P. Lawrence, Dublin, Pulaski County, Va.....	2 00
Apr. 21.	Christ Church, Oil City, Diocese of Pittsburgh, Penn., through Rev. P. B. Lightner, Rector.....	10 65
<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>		<i>\$365 46</i>

	<i>Amount brought forward</i> .....	\$365 46
Apr. 22.	From Church of the Redeemer, Cannon Falls, Minn., through Rev. W. C. Sherman, Rector.....	7 91
June 3.	Moore Memorial Church, Richmond, Va., through E. W. Roberts, Assistant Treasurer Foreign Committee .....	2 00
July 13.	U. S. 6's, 1881, bonds called .....	1,800 00
	interest, 6 months on \$1,800 U. S. bonds, 6's, 1881 .....	54 00
July 16.	Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, through Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, Rector.....	65 11
July 22.	interest on deposits in New-York Savings Bank to July 1, 1881....	5 09
Aug. 6.	U. S. 6's, 1881, bonds called .....	200 00
	six months' interest on \$200 U. S. bonds, 6's, 1881 .....	6 00
Oct. 10.	St. Luke's Memorial Church, Bustleton, Philadelphia, through Rev. S. F. Hotchkiss, Rector.....	8 00
Oct. 14.	St. Ann's Parish, Annapolis, Md., through Rev. William S. Southgate .....	20 00
Dec. 17.	interest from New-York Life Insurance and Trust Company on \$	77 24

## 1882.

Jan. 17.	interest on deposits in New-York Savings Bank to Jan. 1 .....	8 28
Apr. 1.	three months' interest on \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds to April 1 ..	20 00
July 13.	three months' interest on \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds to July 1 ...	20 00
Aug. 7.	interest on deposits, New-York Savings Bank to July 1 .....	9 17
Oct. 7.	three months' interest on \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds to Oct. 1 ...	20 00

## 1883.

Jan. 2.	three months' interest on \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds to Jan. 2 ...	20 00
Jan. 5.	St. John's Church, Beltsville, Md., through Rev. J. E. Hammond, Rector .....	5 25
Jan. 10.	interest on deposits, New-York Savings Bank to Jan. 1 .....	4 06

*Amount carried forward*..... \$2,717 57



		<i>Amount brought forward</i> .....	\$2,717 57
Feb. 1.	From	St. Luke's Memorial Church, Bustleton, Philadelphia, through Rev. S. F. Hotchkiss, Rector, for Twing Memorial Fund .....	5 00
Feb. 6.		St. Ann's Parish, Annapolis, Md., through Rev. William S. Southgate, Rector .....	16 67
Mar. 26.		three months' interest on \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds to April 1...	20 00
June 19.		Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, Penn., through Rev. C. Kinlock Nelson, Rector .....	20 04
July 1.		interest on deposits in New-York Savings Bank to July 1.....	5 13
July 2.		three months' interest on \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds to July 1....	20 00
			<hr/> \$2,804 41

## DISBURSEMENTS.

1880.

Nov. 8.	Paid	Rev. A. T. Twing, Sec'y Domestic Board of Missions, by order of the Trustees, special gift of St. Mary's School, Knoxville, Ill., for Bishop Tuttle .....	\$12 00
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1881.

Feb. 28.		Rev. A. T. Twing, Sec'y Domestic Board of Missions, special donation to Bishop of Montana.....	12 24
Mar. 9.		Rev. A. T. Twing, Sec'y Domestic Board of Missions, special donation to Bishop of Washington Territory.....	5 00
Dec. 16.		for \$2,000 4 per cent U. S. bonds, registered at 117½.....	2,355 00

1882.

Aug. 25.		Samuel Raynor & Co., for 3,500 envelopes for circulars.....	4 20
		James McWilliams, printing 3,000 circulars .....	15 00
		Floyd Clarkson, rubber-stamp.....	75
		W. G. Langdon, envelopes .....	3 75
		W. G. Langdon, postage .....	51 30
Dec. 7.		The McWilliams Printing House, 1,800 circulars.....	7 50

*Amount carried forward* ..... \$2,466 74

	<i>Amount brought forward</i> .....	\$2,466 74
Dec. 9.	Paid W. G. Langdon, 1837 1-cent stamps for circulars .....	18 37
Oct. 1.	Balance now in the hands of the Treas- urer.....	319 30
		<hr/> \$2,804 41

E. & O. E., and Certificates for \$2,000 U. S. 4 per cent Registered Bonds, due 1907.

WOODBURY G. LANGDON, *Treasurer.*

NEW YORK, October 1, 1883.

*To the House of Deputies of the General Convention:*

THE undersigned, a Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, Mr. Woodbury G. Langdon, Treasurer, report that they have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, showing his receipts and disbursements for the last three years to October 1, 1883, for the account of said Fund, and find the same correct, and do hereby audit and herewith submit the same.

JAMES FORSYTH, }  
C. G. MEMMINGER, } *Auditing Committee.*

Dated PHILADELPHIA, October 11, 1883.

## APPENDIX IV.—1.

### TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.*

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary have the honour to present this their Triennial Report, in compliance with the second article of the Constitution.

For the details of the proceedings of the Board since the last meeting of the General Convention, they beg leave to refer to the printed documents, which are herewith transmitted.

#### I.—PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The property and financial condition of the Seminary, as reported at the last annual meeting of the Trustees, was as follows:—

##### REAL ESTATE.

64 lots and buildings on Seminary Block (not valued).	
32 lots and house on Central Block (all leased), value . . . . .	\$200,000 00
25 lots on Wharf Block (all leased), value . . . . .	150,000 00
<hr/> 121 lots.	<hr/> \$350,000 00
Deduct amount of mortgage on Wharf Block . . . . .	63,078 78
<hr/> Total value of real estate . . . . .	<hr/> \$286,921 22

##### PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Bond and mortgage of S. C. Herring & Co. . . . .	\$58,593 75
“ “ “ R. Stuyvesant . . . . .	23,000 00
“ “ “ Helmus M. Wells . . . . .	3,000 00
“ “ “ James A. Striker . . . . .	30,000 00
“ “ “ Franz Neumuller . . . . .	20,000 00
“ “ “ Elliott W. Todd . . . . .	20,000 00
“ “ “ Cora C. and John B. Dwight . . . . .	13,300 00
“ “ “ Annie McReynolds . . . . .	6,500 00
“ “ “ John Q. Preble . . . . .	30,000 00
“ “ “ William B. Dixon, <i>et al.</i> . . . .	18,000 00
“ “ “ Clinton Sutphen . . . . .	8,000 00
“ “ “ William Dean . . . . .	2,800 00
Michigan Central Railroad Bonds . . . . .	20,000 00
St. Louis, Alton, and Terre Haute Railroad Bonds . . . . .	5,000 00
Syracuse, Binghamton, and New-York Railroad Bonds . . . . .	5,000 00
Jersey-City Water Bond . . . . .	1,000 00
Central Railroad of New Jersey Bonds . . . . .	5,000 00
Baltimore Consolidated Gas Co. Bonds . . . . .	2,500 00
3 shares Port Royal and Augusta Railway . . . . .	300 00
Cash in Union Trust Company . . . . .	13,263 76
Mortgage on Seminary-Wharf Block . . . . .	63,078 78
<hr/> Library (17,508 vols.), not valued.	<hr/> \$348,036 29
<hr/> Total value of real estate and personal property . . . . .	<hr/> \$634,957 51

## ENDOWMENTS.

The following specific endowments are held by the Seminary. They are all amply secured by the personal property.

Samuel Verplanck Hoffman Foundation . . . . .	\$65,424 68
St. Mark's Church in the Bowery Professorship of Ecclesiastical History . . . . .	25,000 00
Alumni Professorship Fund (since increased to \$25,231.49) . . . . .	16,181 49
Charles and Elizabeth Ludlow Professorship of Ecclesiastical Polity and Law . . . . .	27,772 42
Eugene A. Hoffman Professorship of Pastoral Theology . . . . .	40,000 00
Library Endowment Fund . . . . .	6,000 00
Bishop Paddock Lectureship Fund . . . . .	10,875 00
John H. Talman Fellowship . . . . .	10,000 00
McVickar Prize Fund . . . . .	1,000 00
Seymour Prize Fund . . . . .	1,000 00
Charles and Elizabeth Ludlow Fund . . . . .	8,000 00
General Endowment Fund . . . . .	26,000 00
Building Fund . . . . .	23,078 09
Tracy R. Edson Foundation . . . . .	10,029 73
3 Scholarships, as per following table . . . . .	77,430 26
	<b>\$347,791 67</b>

The annexed table shows the scholarships wholly or partially endowed. It will be observed that the income of but twenty-six is available for students; the endowments of two not having been paid as yet to the Seminary, and those of six being too small to be available.

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

The amount of contributions from the several Dioceses to May 1, 1883, is as follows:—

DIOCESSES.	Reported in 1880.	Added since.	Total to May, 1883.
Albany . . . . .	\$437 99	\$10,048 63	\$10,486 62
California . . . . .	125 92		125 92
Central New York . . . . .	9,797 58		9,797 58
Central Pennsylvania . . . . .	98 21		98 21
Connecticut . . . . .	1,099 68		1,099 68
Delaware . . . . .	273 93		273 93
Georgia . . . . .	180 47		180 47
Illinois . . . . .	59 50		59 50
Long Island . . . . .	26,242 99	12,330 76	38,573 75
Maine . . . . .	71 25		71 25
Maryland . . . . .	8,109 29	20 00	8,129 29
Massachusetts . . . . .	7,213 63	37 86	7,251 49
Michigan . . . . .	106 57		106 57
Minnesota . . . . .	1 00		1 00
Mississippi . . . . .	500 00		500 00
Missouri . . . . .	12 00		12 00
New Hampshire . . . . .	185 00		185 00
New Jersey . . . . .	11,350 13		11,350 13
Northern New Jersey . . . . .	139 80	150 00	289 80
New York . . . . .	300,592 78	131,927 57	432,520 35
North Carolina . . . . .	4,276 00		4,276 00
Ohio . . . . .	1,021 27		1,021 27
Pennsylvania . . . . .	63,926 11	100 00	64,026 11
Pittsburgh . . . . .	110 00	5 00	115 00
Rhode Island . . . . .	258 00		258 00
South Carolina . . . . .	54,074 65		54,074 65
Southern Ohio . . . . .	10 00		10 00
Springfield . . . . .	413 10		413 10
Vermont . . . . .	109 15	5 00	114 15
Virginia . . . . .	632 00		632 00
Western New York . . . . .	9,209 08	15 00	9,224 08
Wisconsin . . . . .	75 00		75 00
Total cash donations received by Seminary since its establishment in 1818 . . . . .	\$500,712 08	\$154,639 82	\$655,351 90

\* The endowment of this Scholarship has not yet been paid to the Seminary. † Income to be added to the endowment until it amounts to \$2,000.

\* The endowment of this Scholarship has not yet been paid to the Seminary.

The date of the last Triennial Report was one of the darkest periods in the financial history of the Seminary. Nineteen lots of the landed property of the Institution were then standing vacant for want of tenants; while, of those under lease, the Treasurer had been compelled to reduce the rents of more than one-half of them, to prevent their being abandoned by their tenants, and this, too, at a time when the endowments were so small that the income of the Seminary from all sources fell more than six thousand dollars short of meeting its meagre current expenses. Under such circumstances, the outlook was dark; for, as the Trustees stated in their last Report, unless something was speedily done, "the total absorption of its small endowment, and final closure of the Institution, could not be very distant."

To-day — God's holy name be praised! — every thing about our venerable Seminary wears a different aspect. Friends have rallied about it in a manner far exceeding the expectations of those who were most interested in its behalf. Upwards of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars have been received in various donations, to be referred to in a subsequent part of this Report. All the vacant lots are leased for long terms, at a fair rental, and substantial four-story buildings erected on them by the tenants; while a full rental has been paid on the remainder of the leased lots by the old tenants. The ground-rents from our property have thus been increased from \$10,060.00 in 1880, to \$19,350.00 in 1883; while, during the same period, the Trust Funds, representing endowments, have increased from \$212,591 84 to \$348,036.29. The Seminary is thus placed in a position, almost for the first time in its history, when it has sufficient income to meet its current expenses without appealing to its friends. It must not, however, be supposed that it has an adequate endowment, as yet, to enable it to meet all the demands which the Church is already making, and will make in the future, upon it. A suitable Chapel and additional Dormitories, with a commodious Refectory, are urgently demanded by the steadily increasing number of students. Several of the professorships are still unendowed, and not one of them has an endowment large enough to secure the Professor an adequate salary for his services.

During the last year a pamphlet, giving an outline of the "past history and present needs" of the Seminary, was prepared by the Dean, at the request of the Bishop of New York and several of the Clergy, and widely distributed among Church-people. It is believed that this pamphlet — a copy of which is herewith submitted — will, without doubt, secure future donations and legacies for the Institution.

At the suggestion of the Dean, a Committee was appointed to examine, and present to the Standing Committee, "a detailed statement of the various amounts which have from time to time been given to the Seminary, to be held as Trust Funds, with the terms and conditions with which they are accompanied." This Committee, after careful investigation, presented an elaborate and exhaustive Report, containing a statement of each separate Trust Fund, with the conditions under which it is to be held, and a complete list of all bequests and large donations which have been made to the Seminary since its organization in 1817. From this Report, — which was mostly printed in the Proceedings of 1882, — it appeared, that, of the thousands of dollars which have passed through the hands of the Treasurers of the Seminary during the more than sixty years of its existence, *not a single dollar of its Trust Funds has ever been lost.*



But the Standing Committee did not stop here. To make assurance doubly sure, to surround the care of the Trust Funds hereafter with every precaution which human wisdom and experience can suggest, and to remove all temptation to apply their income to any other purposes than those for which they were specifically given, they secured the insertion in the statutes of the admirable plan, first adopted by our General Board of Missions, and afterward in several of the largest charitable corporations in our country, of keeping all Trust Funds out of the hands of the Treasurer, and placing them in the hands of a Special Committee, composed mostly of Laymen of acknowledged ability, who give constant attention to their care, and report all their acts to the Standing Committee every two months. It is doubted whether any more perfect plan could be devised for their safe-keeping. Not a dollar of these funds can ever be misapplied, unless by the criminal collusion of three individuals, each of whom has been selected because of his reputation for business integrity. In the hands of this Committee, called the Finance Committee, the securities representing all the endowments of the Seminary are now placed. These endowments are all safely invested, — as will be seen in another part of this Report, — either in bonds and mortgages on improved city real estate, worth double the amount of the sum invested, or in bonds of undoubted stability and strength, which were given by the original donors with the direction that they should be retained.

The Trustees cannot close their report of the financial condition of the Seminary without alluding to the resignation of Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont as Treasurer, after a faithful service of twenty-three years.

The rare fidelity, financial skill, and prudence which marked his incumbency are memorialized in the history of the past struggles and success of the Seminary. Patient, hopeful, and courageous in the midst of varied discouragements, he has borne her bravely through her financial trials, and has lived to see the fruits of his devotion to her interests in the large increase of her resources and the growth of public confidence in her stability and influence.

His official career has the record of wise management and personal sacrifice in the execution of the trust committed to his care. Entering upon his duties when the funds of the Seminary were exhausted, when interest and taxes had remained unpaid for several years, and some of the property had been sold, he advanced seventeen thousand dollars to clear off these incumbrances, and by watchful care not only provided for the annual current expenses of the Seminary, but added to the value of the real estate of the Seminary, and preserved it as an ample security for the endowments.

Ever courteous, ready, and suggestive, his influence has been a tower of strength, and his example and work will ever be cherished by the friends of this School of the Prophets. In the opinion of this Board, the devotion, ability, and constancy with which Mr. Pierrepont has promoted, during the long term of his office, the interests of the General Theological Seminary, and the support he has extended to it in its periods of financial depression, by his untiring efforts and wide and valued influence, entitle him to the honour and gratitude of all who have at heart the welfare of theological education.

## II. — DEPARTMENT OF INSTRUCTION.

The appointment of the Rev. Robert S. Gross, S.T.B., to the John H. Talman Fellowship, who is by the terms of the endowment to "devote an hour a day to teaching in the Seminary," relieved the institution of the expense of a Tutor in the Latin and Greek languages and in the English Bible. In parting with the late Tutor, the Rev. Edward H. Van Winkle, the Dean placed on record his "high appreciation of the unwearied faithfulness with which he had discharged the duties of the office, and his sincere regret that his connection with the Seminary was severed."

Through the liberality of a lay member of the Standing Committee, the Seminary has been able, for three years past, to secure the services of the Rev. Professor Francis T. Russell as lecturer and instructor in elocution. There is no one in our Church better fitted than Professor Russell to give instruction in this important but much-neglected branch of clerical education; combining, as he does, in himself the experience of a successful teacher of elocution, and of a devoted and diligent pastor of souls, and appreciating, as no mere elocutionist ever can, that the art of using the voice, so necessary to every public speaker, must in the clergyman always be kept in subordination to the requirements of his sacred office. The improved reading of those who have attended his instruction is the best evidence of its value. A number of the neighbouring Clergy have availed themselves of the privilege of attending his lectures.

In addition to the valuable and instructive lectures of the Bishop of Connecticut on "The English Reformation," and of the Rev. Dr. W. D. Wilson on "The Methods of Natural Theology vindicated against Modern Objections," delivered on the Bishop Paddock Lectureship Foundation, the students have been favored with the following series of helpful lectures: —

The Bishop of Illinois, on "Dogma and Doubt."

The Bishop of Michigan, on "The Prophetic Office in the Christian Church."

The Bishop of Central New York, on "The Relation of the Inward Life of the Clergy to their Public Offices."

Professor George S. Morris, on "Christian Ethics."

Professor Moses Coit Tyler, on "Bishop Berkeley's Visit to America," and "The American Colleges of the Colonial Time."

Professor Charles Short, on "The Vulgate Version."

Professor Thomas Egleston, on "The True Connection of Science and Religion."

Professor W. J. Seabury, on "The First Bishop of Connecticut."

The Hon. George Shea, on "The Nature and Form of the American Government founded in the Christian Religion."

Two courses of lectures promised by the Rev. Dr. Washburn and the Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith were not delivered, in consequence of their lamented deaths.

At the suggestion of the Dean, the Faculty have been authorized, in their discretion, to make arrangements for offering to such as may desire it a post-graduate course of study. Such a course will supplement and enlarge the range of the Seminary studies, enable individual students to pursue special lines of study, and bring the Diocesan Schools into closer relations to the General Seminary, by drawing their best graduates to it

to finish their theological education, and to advance their sacred studies farther than can be done in institutions which are merely local. Thus the General Seminary will stand, as it must eventually do when further endowments enable it to make provision for the study of all branches of Sacred Theology, in reference to other Divinity Schools, in the relation of a university to ordinary colleges.

### III. — STUDENTS.

The number of students, during the last three years, has been as follows: —

In 1880-81	87
In 1881-82	84
In 1882-83	74

At the present time there are eighty-two in the institution. The whole number of students matriculated since 1822 has been 1,419, of whom thirty-two have been honoured with the office of a Bishop in the Church of God.

### IV. — LIBRARY.

The Library now contains 17,508 volumes and 10,371 pamphlets. It has been kept open daily, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M., for use and consultation of the books; and the advantage has been duly appreciated by students and others. It is gratifying to know that there is a prospect of having, ere long, a fire-proof building to preserve its valuable books.

### V. — ENDOWMENTS.

It is with sincere pleasure that the Trustees are able to report the following munificent gifts, during the past three years, to establish various endowments.

The endowment of "THE EUGENE A. HOFFMAN PROFESSORSHIP OF PASTORAL THEOLOGY" has been increased by a donation of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000). It now amounts to forty thousand dollars.

The ten thousand dollars alluded to in the last report as about to be given by Mr. George A. Jarvis of Brooklyn has been paid to the Trustees to establish "THE BISHOP PADDOCK LECTURESHIP FUND," and two valuable courses of lectures have been delivered under its provisions. Both these courses of lectures have been published.

Miss Caroline Talman of New York has given ten thousand dollars to endow a Fellowship in the Seminary, to be known as the "JOHN H. TALMAN FELLOWSHIP," in memory of her late honoured father.

The widow and sons of our late benefactor, and for many years active member of the Board of Trustees, Mr. S. V. Hoffman, have given sixty thousand dollars to create "THE SAMUEL VERPLANCK HOFFMAN FOUNDATION," for the support of the Dean of the Seminary. During the lifetime of the donors, the income is to be added to the principal, or appropriated by their direction, with the consent of the Standing Committee, to some other purpose for the benefit of the Seminary. The principal now amounts to \$65,424.68.

The heirs of the late Tracy R. Edson of New York — at the time of his death a Trustee of the Seminary — have presented from his estate, at

his request, ten thousand dollars, to be known as "THE TRACY R. EDSON FOUNDATION," for the purpose of providing, from the income thereof, instruction for the students in elocution; "in order to insure the reverent, dignified, and intelligible reading of the Liturgy of the Church (including the reading of the Holy Scriptures), and also the distinct enunciation and audible delivery of sermons."

The Alumni have contributed nine thousand dollars additional, making upwards of twenty-five thousand dollars in all, to endow "THE ALUMNI PROFESSORSHIP OF THE EVIDENCES OF REVEALED RELIGION." The endowment has been accepted, with special conditions, which have been embodied in the statutes.

The Rev. Dr. Charles W. Rankin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Baltimore, Md., has presented twenty-five hundred dollars, to endow a scholarship, to be known as "THE BISHOP WHITTINGHAM SCHOLARSHIP."

The Vestry of St. Thomas' Church, New York, has directed a like sum in their possession to be paid this month to the Seminary, to endow a scholarship to be known as "THE ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEW YORK, SCHOLARSHIP."

And, lastly, Mrs. Julia Merritt of New York has added five thousand dollars to the "GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND."

#### VI. — CONSTITUTION.

The Trustees adopted, in 1882, the following Amendment to the Constitution:—

Insert in Art. III. line 2, after the word "*church*," the words "*and the Dean of the Seminary*," so that it will read, "The Bishops of the Church and the Dean of the Seminary shall be *ex officio* Members of the Board."

At the last meeting of the Board, the following amendments, which were reported by an able Committee which had given them careful consideration, were adopted. It will be observed that these amendments reduce the present unwieldy Board to a practical and efficient size; while at the same time they secure the general character of the Institution, and preserve the vested right of representation, which many believe belongs to certain Dioceses, because of moneys contributed. The Board considers these amendments essential to the efficient management of the Seminary, and hopes they will meet the favourable consideration of the General Convention.

#### *Amended Constitution.*

I. The General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall be permanently established in the State of New York. The Trustees of the said Seminary shall have power from time to time to establish one or more Branch Schools, in the State of New York or elsewhere, to be under the superintendence and control of the said Trustees.

II. The management of the said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, who shall have power to constitute Professorships, and to appoint and remove the Dean and Professors, and to prescribe the course of study in the respective schools, and to make rules and regulations and statutes for the government thereof; and, generally, to take such measures as they may deem necessary to its prosperity: *provided*, that such

rules and regulations, and course of study, and measures, be not repugnant to the Constitution and Canons of the Church, nor to the course of study for Candidates for Orders which is or may be established by the House of Bishops. Neither the Dean nor any Professor shall be removed from office, except at a Special Meeting of the Board, called to consider the same; and notice of an intended motion for such removal, and of the grounds thereof, shall be given at a previous meeting of the Board. The Bishops who are Trustees shall, in their collective capacity, be visitors of the Seminary; and a majority of them may at any time, upon reasonable notice to the Faculty and to the Board of Trustees or Standing Committee, visit the Seminary, and inquire into the course of instruction and discipline; and the record of the proceedings of the Bishops at such visitation shall be laid before the Trustees at their next meeting, together with any recommendations that the Bishops may think proper to make. The Trustees shall make report to every General Convention of their proceedings, and of the state of the Seminary.

III. The Board of Trustees shall be constituted as follows: Every Bishop of the Church, and the Dean of the Seminary, shall be entitled to be a member of the Board. There shall also be fifty other Trustees, twenty-five of whom shall be appointed by certain Dioceses, on the basis of their former contributions to the Seminary, as follows: New York, ten; Western New York, one; Long Island, two; Albany, one; Central New York, one; New Jersey, one; Northern New Jersey, one; Massachusetts, one; Pennsylvania, three; Maryland, one; North Carolina, one; South Carolina, two; and the remaining twenty-five shall be chosen by the House of Deputies at each stated General Convention. But no person shall be a Trustee of the Seminary unless he shall have signified in writing his acceptance of the office. The senior Bishop present shall preside at every meeting of the Board of Trustees; and, whenever demanded by a majority of the Bishops present, or a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present, the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops present, and of a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall have power to supply all vacancies among the Trustees elected by the House of Deputies.

IV. The Board of Trustees shall always meet in the Diocese where the Seminary is established, at such stated periods as they may determine; and special meetings may be called by the Bishop of the said Diocese, and shall be called by him at the requisition of a majority of the Bishops who are Trustees. And in the event of a disability of the Bishop of the said Diocese, from any cause whatever, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate of the same, a special meeting may be called by a majority of the Bishops who are Trustees, they indicating one of their number to give the notice of such meeting.

V. The Dean and Professors shall constitute a Faculty, to whom shall always belong authority over the students in all that relates to the course of study and internal discipline, either academic or pastoral, subject in its exercise to the Canons of the Church and the Statutes of the Seminary.

VI. This Constitution, as altered by the concurrent vote of the General Convention and of the Board of Trustees, shall take effect on the first day of October, A.D. 1881; and the first Trustees, other than Bishops, under the amended Constitution, shall be chosen before that



time by the House of Deputies and the Diocesan Conventions respectively; and a certificate of their election shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

VII. This Constitution shall be unalterable, except by a concurrent vote of the Board of Trustees and of the General Convention.

#### VII. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

The buildings have been thoroughly repaired and painted throughout, and numerous sanitary improvements introduced. The thoroughness with which this work has been done is attested by the fact, that during the past year, including the severe winter which was so prolific of sickness in many quarters, several collegiate institutions having been compelled to suspend their exercises, there was not a single case of sickness requiring the attendance of a physician among the nearly one hundred students residing in our buildings. The grounds have been re-graded, and a large number of trees and shrubs planted. Both present a better appearance than at any time in the past history of the Seminary.

The fact, however, that the present buildings are utterly inadequate for the present, to say nothing of the future, wants of the Institution, convinced the Trustees that the time had come when something must be done, unless they were willing to stand by and see many of the best class of candidates driven to go elsewhere, and the Faculty discouraged by want of suitable accommodations for those under their charge. After careful consideration, the Board has determined to erect additional buildings on the present admirable location, as rapidly as funds are provided for the purpose. They decided, before doing any thing, to procure a complete plan of all that will be needed for the future development of the Seminary: for in this way alone could they avoid wasting money in the erection of buildings which sooner or later would have to be taken down because they are not in harmony with or adapted to our wants; or, what would be still worse, have to carry on the Institution handicapped with an incongruous collection of buildings constructed without reference to each other, poorly adapted to the needs of the Seminary, and yet too good to be destroyed. The general plan, which has been unanimously adopted, is the work of Mr. Charles C. Haight, the architect of the new buildings of Columbia College, and the son of the Rev. Dr. Haight, who filled for so many years our chair of Pastoral Theology. It combines in a remarkable degree economy of cost, simplicity of construction, and dignity in appearance. When fully carried out, it will provide accommodation for two hundred students, which is probably as many as will be gathered here at one time. At the same time, any portion of the plan can be built and rendered immediately available; while the general design is so arranged that separate buildings, costing from fifteen thousand dollars for the smallest to upwards of fifty thousand dollars for the largest, can be erected by individuals as memorials. The corner-stone of the first of this series of buildings was laid by the Bishop of Albany, on the 10th of May, in the presence of a large gathering of the Trustees and friends of the Seminary. Addresses were made on the occasion by the Bishop of Springfield, Rev. H. C. Potter, D.D., and Hon. William M. Evarts. It is called **SHERRED HALL**, in memory of Mr. Jacob Sherred, a Vestryman of Trinity Church, New York, whose generous legacy in 1821, of sixty thousand dollars, caused the Seminary to be brought back from



New Haven, whither it had been removed in 1820, and permanently established in the city of New York. It is practically a fire-proof building, and will contain six large, well-ventilated lecture-rooms, with a private room attached to each for the use of the Professor. It will be ready for occupancy before Christmas, and will cost a little more than forty thousand dollars. At the same time a friend has generously agreed to erect a fire-proof building for our valuable Library, at a cost of nearly fifty thousand dollars, provided thirty thousand dollars are secured to build the two small dormitories, which, in the plan adopted, connect it with Sherred Hall. Such an offer, following so close upon the generous donations for the building of Sherred Hall and the increase of the endowments, shows that our School of the Prophets has entered on a new era of prosperity and usefulness, and taken fresh hold upon the heart of the Church.

The Trustees cannot close this report without expressing their gratitude to the great Head of the Church, for the increased activity and prosperity of the Seminary, for the renewed life that has entered into its various departments; and they cannot but believe that the wide confidence felt in its present administration, the wisdom and fidelity exercised in the care and investment of its trust-funds, and the strenuous efforts made to procure proper accommodations for the larger number of candidates for Holy Orders applying for admission to its halls, will awaken still greater interest, in the Church at large, in our venerable School of Sacred Learning, and bring the means to make the Institution, in still fuller measure, adequate to the demands of the age, the country, and the Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON,  
*Secretary of the Board of Trustees.*

NEW YORK, October 1, 1883.

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## APPENDIX IV.—2.

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AS AMENDED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MAY, 1883, AND BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION, OCTOBER, 1883.

1. THE Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall be permanently established in the State of New York. The Trustees of the said Seminary shall have power, from time to time, to establish one or more Branch Schools, in the State of New York or elsewhere, to be under the superintendence and control of the said Trustees.

II. The management of the said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, who shall have power to constitute Professorships, and to appoint the Professors, and to prescribe the Course of Study in the respective Schools, and to make Rules and Regulations, and Statutes, for the government thereof; and, generally, to take such measures as they may

deem necessary to its prosperity; *Provided*, that such Rules and Regulations, and Course of Study, and measures, be not repugnant to the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and to the Course of Study for Candidates for Orders which is or may be established by the House of Bishops. The Bishops, in their individual and collective capacity, shall be Visitors of the Seminary, and shall see that the Course of Instruction and Discipline be conducted agreeably to the foregoing provision. The Trustees shall make report to every General Convention, of their Proceedings, and of the state of the Seminary.

III. The Board of Trustees shall be constituted as follows: Every Bishop of the Church, and the Dean of the Seminary, shall be entitled to be a member of the Board. There shall also be fifty other Trustees, twenty-five of whom shall be appointed by certain Dioceses, on the basis of their former contributions to the Seminary, as follows: New York, ten; Western New York, one; Long Island, two; Albany, one; Central New York, one; New Jersey, one; Northern New Jersey, one; Massachusetts, one; Pennsylvania, three; Maryland, one; North Carolina, one; South Carolina, two; and the remaining twenty-five shall be chosen by the House of Deputies at each stated General Convention. But no person shall be a Trustee of the Seminary, unless he shall have signified in writing his acceptance of the office. The Senior Bishop present shall preside at every meeting of the Board of Trustees; and, whenever demanded by a majority of the Bishops present, or a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present, the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops present and of a majority of the Clerical and Lay Trustees present shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall have power to supply all vacancies among the Trustees elected by the House of Deputies.

IV. For the present, until the next stated General Convention, the Board of Trustees shall consist of the Bishops of the Church, and of the twenty-four Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, heretofore established by the General Convention, and of fourteen Trustees chosen by the Managers of the Protestant Episcopal Theological Education Society in the State of New York. These Trustees shall exercise the powers of the permanent Board, as detailed in the foregoing Article, and agreeably to the provisions thereof.

The Board of Trustees shall always meet in the Diocese where the Seminary is established, at such stated periods as they may determine; and Special Meetings may be called by the Bishop of the said Diocese, and shall be called by him at the requisition of a majority of the Bishops. [And in the event of a disability of the Bishop of the said Diocese, from any cause whatever, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate of the same, a Special Meeting may be called by a majority of the Bishops, they indicating one of their own number to give the notice of such meeting.]

V. The Professors of the General Theological Seminary heretofore established by the General Convention, and the Professors in the Theological Seminary in the Diocese of New York, shall be Professors in the General Theological Seminary hereby established in that Diocese.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to remove Professors and other Officers; but no Professor shall be removed from office, except at a Special Meeting of the Board called to consider the same; nor unless notice of an intended motion for such removal, and of the grounds thereof, shall have been given at a previous meeting of the Board. The nomination

of Professors shall be made at one meeting of the Board of Trustees, and acted upon at a subsequent meeting; due notice being given, of the object of said meeting, to every member of the Board.

VI. This Constitution, as altered by the concurrent vote of the General Convention and of the Board of Trustees, shall take effect on the first day of October, A. D. 1884; and the first Trustees, other than Bishops, under the amended Constitution, shall be chosen before that time by the House of Deputies and the Diocesan Conventions respectively; and a certificate of their election shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

VII. This Constitution shall be unalterable, except by a concurrent vote of the Board of Trustees and of the General Convention.

### APPENDIX IV.—3.

#### LIST OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, TO SERVE UNTIL OCTOBER, A. D. 1884.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY, 21. — The Rev. F. M. Cookson; the Rev. Edgar T. Chapman; the Rev. Joseph Carey, S.T.D.; the Rev. Francis Harison, S.T.D.; the Rev. William B. Walker; the Rev. Robert Weeks; the Rev. George W. Dean, D.D.; the Rev. J. W. Stewart; the Rev. Walter Gwynne; the Rev. William M. Ogden; the Rev. Charles S. Olmsted; the Rev. William C. Prout; the Rev. S. H. Coxe, S.T.D.; Mr. Oriando Meads; Mr. J. H. Van Antwerp; Mr. J. Hobart Warren; Mr. Selden E. Marvin; Mr. James Forsyth; Mr. George B. McCartee; Mr. Robert S. Oliver; Mr. T. Streatfield Clarkson.

DIOCESE OF CALIFORNIA, 1. — The Rev. James Abercrombie, D.D.

DIOCESE OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, 17. — The Rev. Joseph M. Clarke, D.D.; the Rev. William T. Gibson, D.D.; the Rev. John Brainard, D.D.; the Rev. Robert N. Parke, D.D.; the Rev. E. M. Van Deusen, D.D.; the Rev. Amos B. Beach, D.D.; the Rev. John A. Staunton; the Rev. Robert M. Duff; the Rev. George H. McKnight, D.D.; the Rev. James H. Kidder; Mr. George C. McWhorter; Mr. Josiah T. Miller; Mr. Joseph Benedict; Mr. H. P. Bostwick; Mr. H. V. Bostwick; Mr. A. H. Sawyer; Mr. William B. Jackson.

DIOCESE OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA, 13. — The Rev. John H. Hopkins, S.T.D.; the Rev. Charles G. Gilliat, Ph.D.; the Rev. J. H. Black; the Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D.D.; the Rev. Marcus A. Tolman; the Rev. John Hewitt; the Rev. Henry C. Swentzel; the Rev. J. Philip B. Pendleton; the Rev. Lewis Zahner; the Rev. William Bryce Morrow; Mr. Robert A. Lamberton, LL.D.; Mr. Peter Baldy; Mr. Henry Coppée, LL.D.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE, 4. — The Rev. T. Gardiner Littell; the Rev. Lewis W. Gibson; the Rev. Charles S. Spencer, D.D.; the Rev. William B. Gordon.

DIOCESE OF FLORIDA, 1. — The Rev. William H. Carter, D.D.

DIOCESE OF FOND DU LAC, 3. — The Rev. Francis Moore; the Rev. Oliver S. Prescott; Mr. J. B. Perry.

DIOCESE OF INDIANA, 22. — The Rev. Edward A. Bradley; the Rev. Francis S. Dunham; the Rev. S. C. M. Orpen; the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D.; the Rev. William H. Moore, D.D.; the Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D.; the Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D.D.; the Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, S.T.D.; the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.; the Rev. Samuel Cox, D.D.; the Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, D.D.; the Rev. William A. Snively, S.T.D.; the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D.; the Rev. George R. Van de Water; the Rev. Samuel W. Sayres; Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont; Hon. John A. King; Mr. William Nicoll; Mr. John A. Tucker; Mr. William G. Low; Mr. Benjamin W. Strong; Mr. Lindley M. Franklin.

DIOCESE OF MAINE, 3. — The Rev. Merritt H. Wellman; the Rev. William Allen Fiske, LL.D.; Mr. James Bridge.

DIOCESE OF MARYLAND, 22. — The Rev. Cleland K. Nelson, D.D.; the Rev. Meyer Lewin, D.D.; the Rev. Richard C. Hall; the Rev. William F. Brand; the Rev. George Leeds, D.D.; the Rev. Arthur J. Rich, D.D.; the Rev. John H. Chew; the Rev. Harvey Stanley, D.D.; the Rev. Charles W. Rankin, S.T.D.; the Rev. George A. Leakin; the Rev. James Chipchase; the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, S.T.D.; the Rev. George K. Warner; the Rev. John Y. Gholson, D.D.; the Rev. Orlando Hutton, D.D.; the Rev. James Stephenson, D.D.; the Rev. William S. Southgate; Mr. J. Shaff Stockett; Mr. Lawrence Thomsen; Mr. George W. Dobbin; Mr. Randolph Barton; Mr. Charles Abert.

DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN, 2. — The Rev. Lawrence S. Stevens; Mr. W. N. Carpenter.

DIOCESE OF MISSOURI, 7. — The Rev. M. Schuyler, D.D.; the Rev. James Runcie, D.D.; the Rev. E. Talbot; the Rev. Cameron Mann; the Rev. E. M. Pecke; Mr. George H. Gill; Mr. William F. Ferguson.

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY, 16. — The Rev. Elvin K. Smith; the Rev. Nathaniel Pettit; the Rev. George Morgan Hills, D.D.; the Rev. Alfred B. Baker; the Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, D.D.; the Rev. John Alden Spooner; the Rev. Benjamin Franklin, D.D.; the Rev. Erskine M. Rodman; the Rev. Richard B. Post; the Rev. Charles E. Phelps; Mr. George C. Hance; Mr. Francis Many; Mr. Richard S. Conover; Mr. Frederick A. Potts; Mr. Arthur G. Ogilby; Mr. C. Ross Grubb.

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA, 9. — The Rev. D. H. Buell, D.D.; the Rev. A. A. Watson, D.D.; the Rev. N. C. Hughes; the Rev. Jarvis Buxton, D.D.; the Rev. J. E. C. Smedes, D.D.; A. J. DeRosset, M.D.; Mr. Thomas B. Hill; Mr. Kemp P. Battle, LL.D.; Mr. John S. Henderson.

DIOCESE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, 13. — The Rev. James A. Williams, D.D.; the Rev. Robert N. Merritt; the Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D.; the Rev. Joseph H. Smith; the Rev. William G. Farrington, D.D.; the Rev. E. B. Boggs, D.D.; the Rev. Horace S. Bishop; the Rev. Hannibal Goodwin; the Rev. George C. Houghton; Mr. Alfred Mills; Mr. P. Edwards Johnson; Mr. John Stevens; Mr. Henry D. King.

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA, 34. — The Rev. H. J. Morton, D.D.; the Rev. E. Y. Buchanan, D.D.; the Rev. D. R. Goodwin, D.D.; the Rev. D. C. Millett, D.D.; the Rev. J. A. Childs, D.D.; the Rev. Benjamin Watson, D.D.; the Rev. Thomas C. Yarnell, D.D.; the Rev. Charles A. Maison; the Rev. E. A. Foggo, D.D.; the Rev. John Bolton, D.D.; the Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D.D.; the Rev. J. D. Newlin; the Rev. George

G. Field; the Rev. J. De Wolfe Perry; the Rev. J. W. Robins, D.D.; the Rev. William N. McVickar; the Rev. W. W. Bronson; Mr. James S. Biddle; Mr. George L. Harrison; Mr. Richard C. McMurtrie; Mr. George Blight; Mr. John Cooke; Mr. W. A. M. Fuller; Mr. Charles Willing; Mr. G. W. Hunter; Mr. T. H. Montgomery; Mr. John D. Taylor; Mr. J. Vaughan Merrick; Mr. Orlando Crease; Mr. John Welsh; Mr. W. W. Frazier, jun.; Mr. Joseph B. Baker; Mr. Harry Ingersoll; Mr. Lewis C. Massey.

DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH, 6. — The Rev. William White, D.D.; the Rev. G. A. Carstensten; the Rev. Samuel Gay, Ph.D.; the Rev. David B. Willson; Mr. John H. Shoenberger; Mr. Hill Burgwin.

DIOCESE OF QUINCY, 2. — The Rev. Robert Ritchie; the Rev. J. M. Davidson.

DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 16. — The Rev. P. J. Shand, D.D.; the Rev. W. H. Hanckel; the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, D.D.; the Rev. A. T. Porter, D.D.; the Rev. R. S. Trapier; the Rev. E. R. Miles; the Rev. H. O. Judd; the Rev. E. C. Edgerton; Mr. T. M. Hanckel; Mr. C. G. Memminger; Mr. H. D. Lesesne; Mr. J. J. P. Smith; Mr. A. C. Haskell; Mr. Charles Sinkler; Mr. J. Witherspoon; Mr. W. C. Courtney.

DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD, 6. — The Rev. Walter H. Moore; the Rev. Frederick W. Taylor, S.T.B.; the Rev. Stephen P. Simpson; the Rev. Edward A. Larrabee, S.T.B.; the Rev. G. W. G. Van Winkle; the Rev. William H. Tomlins.

DIOCESE OF VERMONT, 4. — The Rev. Francis W. Smith; the Rev. William H. Collins; Mr. Thomas H. Canfield; the Rev. Howard F. Hill.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, 4. — The Rev. Eugene J. Babcock; the Rev. Edward W. Flower; the Rev. J. Rice Taylor; Mr. David Fisher.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK, 12. — The Rev. Lloyd Windsor, D.D.; the Rev. J. M. Henderson; the Rev. W. B. Edson; the Rev. J. W. Webster; the Rev. P. P. Kidder; the Rev. A. S. Crapsey; Mr. G. B. Worthington; Mr. W. M. White; Mr. Gilman H. Perkins; Mr. John N. Maccomb, jun.; Mr. James M. Smith; Mr. Thomas C. Montgomery.

DIOCESE OF WEST VIRGINIA, 3. — The Rev. R. R. Swope; the Rev. R. D. Roller; Mr. W. P. Craighill.

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## APPENDIX IV.—4.

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LIST OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, ELECTED BY THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES, UNDER THE AMENDED CONSTITUTION; THEIR TERM OF OFFICE TO BEGIN OCT. 1, A.D. 1884.

The Rev. Heman Dyer, D.D., of the Diocese of New York.  
The Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., of the Diocese of New York.



- The Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., of the Diocese of Long Island.  
The Rev. G. Williamson Smith, D.D., of the Diocese of Connecticut.  
The Rev. David H. Greer, D.D., of the Diocese of Rhode Island.  
The Rev. Henry A. Coit, D.D., of the Diocese of New Hampshire.  
The Rev. Francis Harison, D.D., of the Diocese of Albany.  
The Rev. James Rankine, D.D., of the Diocese of Western New York.  
The Rev. Clinton Locke, D.D., of the Diocese of Illinois.  
The Rev. James Runcie, D.D., of the Diocese of Missouri.  
The Rev. R. A. Abercrombie, D.D., of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.  
The Rev. William S. Langford, D.D., of the Diocese of New Jersey.  
The Rev. Thomas S. Davies, D.D., of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.  
The Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, D.D., of the Diocese of Maryland.  
The Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D.D., of the Diocese of North Carolina.  
Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry of the Diocese of New York.  
Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont of the Diocese of Long Island.  
Mr. John A. King of the Diocese of Long Island.  
Mr. George C. Shattuck of the Diocese of Massachusetts.  
Mr. Orlando Meads, LL.D., of the Diocese of Albany.  
Mr. George C. McWhorter of the Diocese of Central New York.  
Mr. Henry P. Baldwin of the Diocese of Michigan.  
Mr. John W. Andrews, LL.D., of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.  
Mr. John H. Shoenberger of the Diocese of Pittsburgh.  
Mr. Robert A. Lamberton, LL.D., of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.



## APPENDIX V.

### FOURTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND OR- PHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND OF AGED, INFIRM, AND DISABLED CLERGYMEN.

THE review of the operations of the Board for the last three years is not without encouragement. The efforts made at the General Convention of 1880 have given an impulse to the cause, and lead us to believe that this most important and deserving work is becoming better known and appreciated. There has been a marked increase of Parochial and individual contributions, indicating that the heart of the Church is becoming interested, and the duty of sustaining this branch of charitable aid more widely felt. And yet we must confess that the response to the urgent recommendations of both Houses of the General Convention has not been what might have been expected. The Board still finds its usefulness greatly cramped and hindered by insufficient means. The demands are pressing; the applicants, just the class of persons whose claims are indubitable. No outlay of the same amount is more needed, or does more real good; and yet the aid our Board can give is sadly meagre and inadequate. What are our few loaves and fishes among so many? The good Lord is not now here to multiply the scanty provision; but he has given a sufficiency into the hands of his servants and stewards, and has said, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me." Where is our faith?

It appears from the report of the Treasurer, that, during the three years past, receipts have been:—

From royalty on Hymnals . . . . .	\$6,692 56
From church offerings and individual dona- tions . . . . .	17,826 83
Income from investments . . . . .	2,370 00
	\$26,889 39

#### COMPARISON WITH PRECEDING STATEMENTS.

Reports of	Royalty.	Church and Individual Contribu- tions.	Legacies.	Interest.	Total.
1877 . . . . .	\$9,317 86	\$612 00	\$1,500 00	\$2,560 00	\$13,989 86
1880 . . . . .	7,209 83	4,889 59	200 00	2,460 00	14,759 42
1883 . . . . .	6,692 56	17,826 83	—	2,370 00	26,889 39
	\$23,220 25	\$23,328 42	\$1,700 00	\$7,390 00	\$55,638 67

## RELIEF EXTENDED.

	To Disabled Clergymen.	Widows and Orphans.	Total.	Dioceses.
1877 . . . . .	21	59	80	31
1880 . . . . .	32	71	103	37
1883 . . . . .	35	104	139	38

It thus appears, that, during the last three years, the receipts from the royalty on Hymnals have fallen off \$517.27 from the immediately preceding period, and \$2,625.30 from the amount accrued 1874-77.

The receipts from donations exceed those reported in 1880, \$12,737.24; ditto reported in 1877, \$17,214.83. Nothing has been received, since the last report, on account of legacies.

The average income at our disposal is, therefore, from \$9,000 to \$10,000. At the Annual Meeting in December, 1882, the Board authorized the Executive Committee to appropriate \$10,000 for the ensuing year. The urgent nature of the applications caused the Committee to go rather beyond this amount. Simple division shows that \$10,000 divided among 139 beneficiaries gives an average of but \$72 each. Is this all that can be spared for broken, exhausted labourers, and suffering widows and orphans, by a Church whose magnificent temples are the ornaments of our great cities, and in whose worshipping assemblies may be found so much of the wealth and enterprise of this prosperous nation?

Looking more closely into the table of our receipts, we reckon that about two hundred churches have responded to the late appeal — possibly two hundred and fifty, for in some instances our accounts show only the aggregates of several contributions. These are, in the far larger proportion, churches in the country or in small towns. Very few of our city churches have remembered this object. Indian congregations in Niobrara do their diligence gladly to give of their little. From New Mexico, Colorado, Oregon, and Texas, contributions reach our treasury. We are greatly enriched by the widow's mite. Our Treasurer's account acknowledges such remittances as these: "Widow of a clergyman, one dollar;" "A clergyman's wife, five dollars;" "A minister's daughter, five dollars;" "Wife of a missionary (whose salary is four hundred per annum), two dollars." But few of our metropolitan churches can spare us any thing. We are well aware that calls upon our large city congregations are numerous and importunate, and would indulge no unreasonable expectations; but we take the liberty of saying that not unfrequently we have appeals for aid from destitute Ministers and families in our principal cities, and from Dioceses reporting large invested Diocesan funds. In the Dioceses comprised within the States of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, we have, during the last three years, extended relief to thirty-seven cases. In expressing our gratitude to those who have gladdened our hearts, and who have through this instrumentality visited the fatherless and widows in their affliction, we desire specially to thank one of our cheerful givers, the Church of the Good Centurion, Fortress Monroe, Va., which has sent us five donations, amounting to the sum of \$403.

To show that the aid extended, scanty as it was, has been most accept-

able and timely, we append a few extracts, as specimens, from letters received from beneficiaries:—

1. "My heart is overflowing with gratitude for this most timely and sorely needed help."

2. "I am still confined to my bed, and have been perfectly helpless for more than two years."

3. "Can hardly imagine how I value the money; for I was so ill during the fall and winter, I got into debt, and it took nearly if not quite all of my appropriation to pay the debts, leaving me nothing to live upon if I should live, or buy provisions."

4. "Myself and children are in need of the necessities of life."

5. "Through the aid of the Fund, we have rented a small house, and are enjoying the comforts of a home, which we could not have done if we had not received the cheque."

6. "It was particularly acceptable, as this is a hard winter; cold so very severe, wood and coal very expensive."

7. "Which is my only income."

8. "This winter, more than ever, the money has lightened my anxiety; for two of our dear boys, one after the other, have been ill with fever ever since the beginning of December." (Letter dated March 15.)

9. "For the many who have been benefited by your noble charity, and to whom, like myself, it has proved a Godsend."

10. "For this most timely gift, it is such a great help to me."

11. "I cannot tell you how much good this appropriation has done me."

12. "Indeed, I should have suffered sorely without it, having been sick and unable to work."

13. "For which please accept my heartfelt thanks. It is, indeed, a very great help to me, as my health continues very feeble."

14. "It is with feelings of deepest gratitude that I here acknowledge your great kindness. *Never* has it come to me in a time of greater need, — a need increased by sickness and sorrow."

15. "The Fund has never come in a more appropriate or needy time than this, and never have I felt more grateful to know that the families of Ministers whose labor is done are not left friendless and helpless."

16. "I can assure you it is the means of the beginning of a bright year for us."

17. "I know there must be many deeply grateful hearts who thank God for what your Society has done for them, and of those no one is more grateful than I."

18. "I have five little boys to support, the eldest of whom is only eight years old, and the youngest is only seventeen months old: so you can imagine what a welcome visitor this semi-annual appropriation is."

(The above eighteen extracts are from letters received during the present year (1883), from the widows of Clergymen.)

19. "I am truly thankful. Its arrival greatly relieved me of much anxiety of mind. I am now an old man, and quite infirm, and have passed the greater portion of my life in the service of the Church. I am far advanced in years now, — close upon eighty."

20. "Can't read or write except under a glass which magnifies very greatly. I cannot earn a dollar toward my support."

21. "I cannot fully express either my deep gratitude for this aid, or the real benefit it will be to me and my sick daughter. I am very lame, suffering from paralysis of the entire left side."

22. "It is very acceptable just now, particularly as he has been here six long weeks confined to his bed."

(The three from 18 to 21 are from disabled Clergymen. No. 22 is from the wife of a disabled Clergyman.)

It would seem superfluous to add any thing to these few simple outpourings of full hearts, in the way of commending the object of this trust to the sympathies of the Church. In conclusion be it noted :—

1. That this is the only General Relief Fund, open to the classes specified, in all parts of the Church,—to the frontier Missionary, to the incumbent of the small rural parish in his decrepitude and poverty, and to the families of brave men who have fallen in posts of privation and exposure.

2. That it demands no pre-payment in the way of life-insurance premium, etc.

3. That it is conducted without charge or expense, much financial and clerical work being done gratuitously.

4. That the receipts from royalty on the Hymnal are diminishing from year to year, and the deficiency must be supplemented if the charity is to be sustained.

5. We beg to call attention to the resolution adopted by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at the last General Convention (*Journal*, p. 143):—

*Resolved*, That every minister in charge of a congregation be requested to reserve, from this time forth, out of "the alms and other devotions" of the people, collected upon each and every occasion of the administration of the Lord's Supper, a percentage of the whole amount, not less than one nor more than ten per cent, at the discretion of the Minister; the same to be forwarded and paid over to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

A general compliance with this request would go very far to place the Relief Fund upon a sure foundation. The appropriation of a percentage of the Communion Alms would also bring this cause more forcibly before the minds of our people, and thus tend to increase the number and amount of individual donations. This trust would thus become a credit to the Church, and a substantial permanent blessing. Let us not be satisfied with saying to our needy brothers and sisters, "Be ye warmed and filled," while we give them not the things needful for the body.

Six Clergymen, four widows, and two orphans have departed this life during the three years.

ALFRED LEE, *President*.

HENRY C. LAY.

HENRY C. POTTER.

MORGAN DIX.

STEPHEN P. NASH.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER SMITH, *Treasurer*,  
58 Wall St., New York.

LLOYD W. WELLS, *Secretary*.

ELIHU CHAUNCEY, *Assistant Secretary*,  
22 East 22d St., New York.

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SECURITIES ON HAND.—	\$3,000 N. Y. City Cons. 7 per cent Stock, 1894.	E. and O. E.	NEW YORK, Sept. 15, 1883.
	\$6,000 Jersey City Water 7 per cent, 1902.		
	\$1,000 United States Registered 4½ per cent, 1891.	WM. ALEX. SMITH, <i>Treas.</i> , 58 Wall St., N. Y.	
	\$2,000 United States Currency, 6 per cent, 1896.	SECURITIES EXAMINED AND FOUND CORRECT.	
		ELIHU CHAUNCEY, <i>Asst Sec'y.</i>	

## APPENDIX VI.

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### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

THE Committee on the Memorials of Deceased Members respectfully report:—

The Committee organized on October 8, 1883, and resolved "That such Memorial as the Committee might propose should have reference only to members of the House of Deputies, and be confined to those of the last past and present Convention deceased before the presentation of the Report." This action was taken in view of the approval, by the last Convention, of a similar decision made in the preparation of the Report for that Convention.

Your Committee have not deemed it expedient to adopt the proposition to confine the Memorial to "the simple facts in the life of the member deceased," but have been led to condense their report within the limits of a just and proper mention of the traits and faithful services of those who have been associated in our deliberations, and whose memory we gratefully cherish. Their eulogy is written in the works that follow them.

The first member of the last Convention whose decease the Church was called upon to record and lament, was Mr. William H. Morrison of the Diocese of Indiana. He was born of Scotch parents, July 1, 1806. He was educated in the Presbyterian faith; but when he reached mature years he entered the Church of which until his death, on March 5, 1881, he remained a devoted and earnest member. To the building and support of S. Paul's Cathedral, Indianapolis, he was the generous contributor of over forty thousand dollars. In Diocesan Missions he took the deepest interest, and, besides his other benefactions, supported one or more missionaries.

He was the efficient Treasurer of the Diocese of Indiana for many years, and the Secretary of its Standing Committee. He was elected a Deputy to the General Convention in 1868, and for the four sessions succeeding the same.

His unselfish, liberal spirit, and faithful devotion to the interests of the Church, entitle him to our most grateful memory.

The Rev. William Paul Kramer, born in Baltimore, 1842; educated at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Penn., and subsequently in law in the State of Georgia. Entered the Confederate cavalry service at the breaking-out of the war. His earliest ministry was in the Methodist Church in Georgia. Was ordained Deacon and Presbyter by Bishop Beckwith. Was Rector of a Parish in Augusta, and made Secretary of Diocesan Convention. Removed to Louisville, Ky., becoming Rector of Calvary



Church in that city. In 1877 he was called to be Associate Rector of Christ Church, New Orleans, and removed to that city. The first summer of his Rectorship was a season of yellow-fever epidemic. He sent his family to the mountains, and remained on duty during the continuance of the pestilence. Was a Clerical Deputy to General Convention of 1880. During Lent of 1881, was quite ill with typhoid-pneumonia. Appeared to be convalescing soon after Easter. On the 10th of May, arrived in New York, on steamship, in a very weak condition. Was removed to Morristown, N.J., after a week's rest. He had been there but a few days, when diabetes appeared, and he sank into unconsciousness on Friday. The next Sunday morning, May 22 (fifth Sunday after Easter), he passed into rest, in the communion of the Catholic Church, and the confidence of a certain faith.

Mr. George Wesley Race, a member of this House from the Diocese of Louisiana, and of Virginia parentage, was born in Hanoverton, O., April 27, 1820. When a youth, he left his home for the South. After finishing his course of studies in the college at Jackson, La., he settled in New Orleans. He was confirmed by the late Bishop Wilmer in Trinity Church, New Orleans, and faithfully laboured in the Church as a devoted Parishioner and Vestryman to the close of his earthly career.

Until his death on June 17, 1881, — which was preceded by long and severe suffering, endured with the most exemplary patience and resignation, — Mr. Race was a member of this House, whose counsels he had aided for four successive sessions. He adorned the doctrine of God our Saviour by a pure faith and most consistent life.

The Hon. Enoch Redington Mudge died suddenly at his summer residence near Boston, in September, 1881.

A distinguished merchant, a sincere Christian, a loyal and earnest Churchman, liberal in his gifts and wise in counsel, he held a position of peculiar prominence in the City and in the Diocese. For thirteen years he was a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts; and he represented the Diocese in every General Convention but one, from 1865 to 1880 inclusive. He is buried in the family vault at S. Stephen's Church, Lynn, — a noble and costly Church, erected by him as a memorial to a son and a daughter. The Diocese mourns his loss, as leaving a void in the ranks of her faithful Laity which few can fill, and will ever bear grateful testimony to the value of his example and work.

Rev. Edwin Augustine Dalrymple, LL.D., was born in Baltimore, June 4, 1817; and died in the same city, October 30, 1881. He was educated at S. Mary's College, Baltimore, and entered the counting-house of M. Didier. Subsequently he studied for the ministry in the Theological Seminary of Virginia, and was ordained by Bishop Meade, July 16, 1843. His first charge was the old Church at Hanover, Va., and the historic Church of S. Peter in New Kent County, where Gen. Washington was married. He afterwards became principal of the high school near Alexandria, where he remained until 1852. After an absence of two years in Europe, he became president of the University of Maryland, in Baltimore, which office he filled until 1876.

On January 1, 1866, he became pastor of S. Stephen's Church, Baltimore, where he ministered without any stipend until his death.

His attainments and occupations were of the most varied character. In 1871 he was chosen Secretary of the Diocesan Convention. In 1880 he

became Historiographer. He was Corresponding Secretary of the Maryland Academy of Sciences, and also of the Maryland Historical Society for twenty-four years. He took a deep interest in the House of Refuge, of which he was Rector and Trustee; and was also a Trustee of the Theological Seminary of Virginia, and Secretary of its Alumni. While paying his last visit to Virginia, engaged at the post of duty, he exchanged the labours of earth for the rest of Paradise. His faithful ministry of forty years, and his unsullied character, demand our warm recognition. "His record is on high."

The Hon. Origen S. Seymour, LL.D., a Deputy from Connecticut to the last five General Conventions, was born February 9, 1804, and died August 12, 1881. He was graduated from Yale College in 1824. In 1851 he was elected to the National House of Representatives, and served in the Thirty-second and Thirty-third Congresses. In 1855 he was elected a judge of the Superior Court of the State of Connecticut; in 1870 was chosen associate judge of the Supreme Court; and in 1873 was made chief judge. Trinity College gave him the degree of LL.D. in 1866; and Yale College, the same degree in 1873. He was usually a Delegate to the Diocesan Convention from his home parish, S. Michael's, Litchfield. From his entrance into the House of Deputies, he was a member of the Committee on the Prayer-book. The strong points of his character as a judge—writes one who knew him well—were "his acute and comprehensive mind, his eminent sense of justice, a clear perception of right under all circumstances. These same points were prominent in his character as a man."

The Hon. James H. Williams, of Bellows Falls, in the Diocese of Vermont, entered into rest August 13, 1881. He was born in Chester, Vt., January 16, 1813. As a citizen, his perfect integrity and acknowledged financial abilities attracted to him a wide and implicit confidence, which made him, through a quarter of a century, the guardian of manifold trusts, both public and private. As a Churchman, the same genuineness was apparent. Devoutly living a godly life in the spirit of the Church of his love, he held for many years posts of labour and responsibility in the Diocese of Vermont, shrinking from no reasonable demand upon his time, toil, or charities. For twenty years he represented his Diocese in the General Convention, and with care and intelligence took part in the legislation of the Church.

On the twentieth day of November, 1881, the Hon. Alexander Randall, a member of the last General Convention from the Diocese of Maryland, departed this life. Entering professional life at a time when the Maryland bar possessed the brightest lights, he attained a high position; and, as an able lawyer and a trusted counsellor, was known throughout the limits of the State. In political life he was faithful and active in the discharge of every duty; and, both in the halls of Congress and in the legislative councils of his native State, was always alive to the duties of citizenship.

To all this was added a Christian character, consistent, matured and, brightening to the end. A long and faithful life had sown good seed for eternity, and the harvest-time had come.

The Rev. Robert W. Trimble, LL.D., a member of the last General Convention from the Diocese of Arkansas, was born in Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 2, 1829. He was ordained Deacon by Bishop Smith on Dec. 29, 1858; and admitted to the sacred order of Priests Dec. 10, 1860, by

Bishop Lay. He was the founder and Rector of Trinity Parish, Pine Bluff, for twenty-one years, and a Deputy to the General Convention for many years.

He entered into rest April 18, 1882. Full of zeal and devotion to the best interests of the Church, he served faithfully at her altars, and has passed to his reward. "In Domine confidit, in Domine requiem habet."

The Rev. Walter Ayrault, D.D., was born in Geneva, N.Y., Nov. 28, 1822. He was graduated from Geneva College at the age of eighteen. In 1842 he became a candidate for Orders under Bishop De Lancey, and entered the General Theological Seminary, whence he was graduated on the completion of the course of study. In 1846 he was ordained Deacon by Bishop De Lancey, who advanced him to the Priesthood in the following year. His first Parish was S. Peter's, Auburn, the Rectorship of which he held until 1852.

In 1853 he was called to Hagerstown, in the Diocese of Maryland, where he ministered until 1856. Thence he went to S. John's Parish, Canandaigua, N.Y., where he served until 1862.

In 1865 he was elected Rector of S. Paul's Parish, Oxford, N.Y., where he remained for ten years.

In 1867 Hobart College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He became a Deputy from the Diocese of Central New York, in 1871, to the General Convention, and held the position in four sessions of the same, being a member at the time of his death. He was elected chaplain of Hobart College in 1875, and resigned in 1881. His health failing, he went to the South of France during that year, whence he returned in the following year, to the place of his birth, to die. He was a man of large mental calibre and professional culture, a resolute Churchman with æsthetic tastes and broad catholic sympathies, and possessed the purity and Christian courtesy and virtues which befit the servant of the Lord, and the Priest of His Church.

The Rev. James Craik, D.D., LL.D., for many years a Deputy from Kentucky, and President of this House from 1862 to 1874, was born in Alexandria, Va., Aug. 31, 1806. He was licensed in the law November 26, 1828; made Deacon at Charlottesville, Va., 1839; ordered Priest at Alexandria, Va., 1841. He became Rector of S. John's Church, Charleston, Va., from 1839 to 1844; and Rector of Christ Church, Louisville, Ky., from 1844 to 1882.

He was a member of the Standing Committee of Kentucky from 1845 to 1882, and Deputy to the General Convention from 1846 to 1882.

Having organized the first Sisterhood west of the Alleghanies, he founded the Orphanage of the Good Shepherd in 1869.

The Church Home and Infirmary is an enduring monument to his memory. He was the author of several works valuable in theological controversy and literature, and having a large foreign as well as home reputation. Forceful and brave as a preacher; gentle, loving, and true as a pastor; faithful as a relative and friend, — he exemplified the graces and beauties of a Christian life. He entered into rest, June 9, 1882, leaving behind him the fragrance of a well-spent life. "He was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, and much people were added to the Lord."

The Rev. George Paterson Schetky, D.D., a member of this House from the Diocese of Western Michigan, was born in Philadelphia, Penn.,

Aug. 23, 1824. He came to Nashotah in its early days, and pursued his studies there from 1844 to 1851.

He was ordered Deacon by Bishop Kemper in Nashotah Chapel, June 15, 1851. His first Ministry was at Manitowoc, Wis., where he was advanced to the Priesthood by Bishop Kemper, July 26, 1853. Rector of S. John's Church, Louisville, Ky., in 1853; Rector of Grace Church, Memphis, Tenn., in 1857; Rector of S. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly, N.J., in 1859; Rector of the Free Church of S. John, Philadelphia, Penn., 1864; officiating in South Bend, Ind., 1869; Rector of S. Mark's Church, Coldwater, Mich., 1869; Rector of Trinity Church, Marshall, Mich., 1870; Rector of Trinity Church, Bay City, Mich., 1874; Rector of S. Mark's Church, Paw-Paw, W. Mich., and Missionary in Van Buren County, 1877. He fulfilled his duties faithfully in all these positions; and entered into rest at Philadelphia, Nov. 19, 1882. He was a man of no common attainments, excelling especially in Liturgical studies. The striking feature of his ministry was his deep earnestness, and sense of his Priestly office. A man in whom was no guile, "faithful unto death."

The Rev. Giles H. Deshon, D.D., a Deputy from Connecticut to the General Convention of 1880, died in Meriden, January 1, 1883. He was born in New London, March 31, 1820; and was graduated from Yale College in 1840, and from the General Theological Seminary in 1843. Bishop Brownell ordained him Deacon in 1843, and Priest in 1844. His first charge was in Windham; the second, in South Glastonbury; and the third, from 1850 until his death, in S. Andrew's, Meriden; all these parishes being in his native State. Trinity College gave him the degree of D.D. For many years he was a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and held many Diocesan offices of trust; at the last General Convention he was a member of the Committee on the State of the Church. He was a model of faithfulness as a Parish Minister, an eminently judicious counsellor in Church affairs, and a most lovable man.

The Hon. John B. Howe of Lima, Ind., entered into rest January 25, 1883. He graduated from Trinity College, Hartford. Engaging in the practice of the law in Indiana, he soon took high rank as a jurist; but, amid all the arduous labors of his profession, he ever seemed to find time to manifest his devotion to the interest of the Church. His Parish and Diocese bear witness to the deep and salutary impress of his character and influence. He was a Deputy from Indiana to eight General Conventions.

A scholar of high character, a gentleman of dignity and pleasing address, and a Christian of the purest character and most earnest life, his death has made a vacancy in the councils of the Diocese and of the Church at large, which finds its fullest measure in the saddened hearts of his personal friends.

"The memory of the just is blessed."

Jeremiah C. Garthwaite died at his residence in Newark, N.J., on the sixteenth day of February, 1883, in the seventy-sixth year of his age.

He was a Deputy from the Diocese of Northern New Jersey in 1880.

From the time of the formation of that Diocese, in 1874, he had represented it in this House, and, prior to that, had for many years been a Deputy from the undivided Diocese of New Jersey. At the time of his death, he was a member of the Standing Committee of his Diocese.



Including his service in the original Diocese, he had been for forty years a member of the Diocesan Standing Committee.

He was a Trustee of S. Mary's Hall, of Burlington College, and of the General Theological Seminary.

He was also a member of the Board of Managers of the General Missions of the Church.

It was, to a great extent, through his exertions and liberality, that the Episcopal Fund in New Jersey was raised.

Far-sighted in his policy of Church work, he assisted in founding Grace Church, Newark, and other Parishes in its vicinity.

Sincere, earnest, and consistent, he commanded the respect of all who knew him; and his death is a loss to the Church and to the community in which he lived.

In the Providence of God, the Church is called to mourn the decease of Charles C. Trowbridge, whose earthly life of more than fourscore years peacefully closed at his residence in the city of Detroit, on the evening of April 3, 1883.

He was born in the city of Albany, on the 29th of December, 1800; and removed to Detroit in 1819, when the whole territory of Michigan, now forming four great States, numbered less than nine thousand white people. It may well be said, he was the father of the Church in Michigan. He was a member of the first and nearly every subsequent Diocesan Convention, and of the Standing Committee for fifty-one years. As a member of the Missionary Committee, a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund, and of various other institutions of the Church, he was eminently wise and judicious.

Mr. Trowbridge was present as a Deputy in the General Convention which met in Philadelphia in 1835, and was elected to every subsequent Convention (save one, because of inability to attend), including the present. At the time of his decease, he was senior member of the House of Deputies.

Highly esteemed as a citizen, kind, benevolent, and generous, a leader in plans for education, moral reform, and religious growth, he was truly "a benefactor to his fellow-men, not only in what he said and did, but even more in what he was, a Christian gentleman of the old school." "Like a sweet tradition of the olden time, his memory will linger long to bless us."

The Rev. Edwin E. Johnson was a Deputy from Connecticut to the General Conventions of 1874, 1877, and 1880, and was a member of the Committee on Christian Education. He was born in Naugatuck, Conn., July 25, 1835; was a graduate from Trinity College in 1859, and of the Berkeley Divinity School in 1861; was ordained Deacon by Bishop Williams in 1861, and Priest in 1862. His first Rectorship was at S. Michael's, Naugatuck; and his last, from 1872 until his death, was at Trinity, Hartford. For the last sixteen years of his life, he was professor of the English language and literature in Trinity College. He was also a regular and large contributor to Church periodicals. An accomplished scholar, a well-learned Churchman, a preacher of remarkable power, and a devoted priest, his work in the training of minds, and in the cure of souls, was of the sort that abides when the workman has gone to his rest. He died April 30, 1883.

On the 5th of March, 1883, Samuel G. Wyman, a Deputy from the Diocese of Maryland, in the General Convention of 1880, departed this

life at the age of seventy-four. He was widely known and universally esteemed, for his sterling traits of character, his large Christian benevolence, and his earnest devotion to the Church. Without children of his own, his tenderest sympathy seemed to be with those, who, more blessed in this respect, were not equally blessed with the means to provide for them; and his last earthly act, completed but a few hours before his unexpected death, was to bestow a large part of his fortune to a foundation for the education of the children of the Clergy, that those who in life had been his chief care should not suffer by his death. He was a bright illustration of the "charity which seeketh not her own."

The Hon. Charles J. Jenkins, LL.D., a Deputy from Georgia to the last General Convention, died at his home in Augusta, Ga., on Thursday, June 14, 1883, at the advanced age of seventy-eight years. He was a graduate of Union College, Schenectady, N.Y., which conferred upon him, subsequently, the degree of LL.D. He rose to eminence in his profession, and served with distinction upon the Supreme Bench of the State, and terminated that service only to assume the office of Governor, to which he was elected in 1865. He had no desire to enter the arena of national politics. He refused a nomination to represent Georgia in the Senate of the United States, and declined a Cabinet portfolio tendered him by President Fillmore. Gov. Jenkins was for many years, and at the time of his death, the Senior Warden of S. Paul's Church, Augusta. He was a devout and regular Communicant, a generous and conscientious almoner of his private fortune, dispassionate and wise in counsel. His character was conspicuous for its purity and for the balance and symmetry of all noble qualities. In his death the State has lost a man whose ideals were always pure and whose methods were always clean: the Church has lost a son whose life was an eloquent commentary upon the Divine purity of her teaching.

Montgomery Blair, for many years a member of the General Convention from the Diocese of Maryland, was born May 10, 1813, in Franklin County, Ky.; and died July 27, 1883, of a spinal disease of several years' duration. He filled many offices of trust and honour, with singular fidelity. He served in the Seminole war in Florida, and resigned in May, 1836. Admitted to the practice of the bar in St. Louis, he was soon afterwards appointed United-States District Attorney for Missouri. As a Lay Reader, he built up a large congregation in that city. In 1842 he was elected mayor of St. Louis, and advanced in the following year to the bench of the Court of Common Pleas. Removing to Maryland, he practised very successfully his profession. In 1861 he was appointed Postmaster-General, and administered the duties of the department for three years with great efficiency, making improvements in the postal service of lasting weight to the country. Kind and simple in his manners, while ever vigilant and alert in the defence of his principles; as a distinguished politician, he has left the heritage of a name bright in war and peace. As a Churchman, true to his belief and firm in his convictions of duty, his active interest in the councils of the Church will ever be held in grateful memory.

The Rev. William Henry Hickcox, for many years a Deputy to the General Convention from the Diocese of Kansas, entered into rest, August 8, 1883, in the sixty-third year of his age. He was born in Auburn, N.Y. Until middle age, he was engaged in secular business. In 1859 he removed to Kansas, and soon afterwards began his preparation for the



Ministry. He was ordained to the Diaconate and the Priesthood, by the late Bishop Lee of Iowa, at that time Provisional Bishop of Kansas. His first Parish was the Church of the Ascension, Burlington, where he laboured faithfully for several years. In 1874 he removed to Wakefield, where he established S. John's Church, and built a Rectory. This Parish prospered under his pastoral care, and he continued its Rector until death suddenly removed him from the scene of his earthly labours. He was a good man, full of cheerful, joyous piety; and his departure is mourned not only by his congregation, but by all who knew him.

The Rev. John Cotton Smith, D.D., a Deputy to the last General Convention from the Diocese of New York, was born at Andover, Mass., Aug. 4, 1826. He graduated at Bowdoin College in 1847. Was ordained Deacon in 1849, and Priest in 1850; became Rector of S. John's Church, Bangor, Me., in 1850. Assistant in Trinity Church, Boston, in 1852, and Rector of Ascension Church in 1860. Dr. Smith was identified prominently and actively with the general work of the Church, and was Senior Clerical Member of the Foreign Missionary Committee at the time of his decease. The Rector of a large and wealthy city parish, he was occupied with various schemes and labours of benevolence, and made the first successful attempt to establish model tenement-houses in New-York City. The success of the Mission Chapels of his Church is a monument to his zeal and devotion. Firmly loyal to the historic faith of the Church, he yet advocated strongly her Catholic and comprehensive character. A cogent and clear logician, an eloquent speaker, ever exhibiting the *spiritual* of a finely moulded Christian piety; with rarely cultivated mind, sweet charity, and grace of manner, he won and held the hearts of men. He died January 9, 1882.

Mr. Josiah King, a Deputy from the Diocese of Pittsburgh to the last and several preceding General Conventions, was born in Waterford, Penn., in 1807, and died December 18, 1882. For nearly half a century Mr. King was one of the foremost Laymen of the Church in Western Pennsylvania. He was for many years a Vestryman and Warden of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh, and a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. He was identified with all the leading benevolent enterprises in the community in which he lived, and was especially prominent in promoting the education of the coloured race. His personal religious character was marked by great strength and purity; while, in all his official relations in the Church, he was a wise counsellor and admirable officer. He was untiring in his activity in the cause of Christianity, and gave generously of his time and means to advance it.

On Thursday morning, October 11, 1883, at Bridgeport, Conn., in his ancestral home, in the eighty-fifth year of his age, the Rev. William Shelton, D.D., passed from his earthly labours to his rest in Paradise. He was born in the town of Fairfield, near Bridgeport, Conn., September 11, 1798. His father, the Rev. Philo Shelton, was the first Clergyman ordained in this country. Dr. Shelton began his studies at the Cheshire Academy; and graduated from the General Theological Seminary, having entered it when it was established at New Haven. He was ordained to the Diaconate in 1823, and settled at Plattsburgh the same year. After efficient labours here and at Red Hook, N.Y., he returned to Fairfield, and was ordained to the Priesthood in 1826. He became the Rector of S. Paul's Parish, Buffalo, September 11, 1829, and remained as such fifty-two years. Through his energy the noble Church of which he was Rector

was built. The people of the whole city of Buffalo held him in highest honour and reverence. He was a Deputy to the General Convention in 1841, and after an interregnum of some years continued to represent the Diocese until the last session of 1880. A man of sterling honour, self-sacrificing generosity, fearless courage, and the most tender sympathy in the alleviation of suffering; with great singleness of purpose, and unflinching devotion to the Master's work, and most loyal to his Church, — this venerable father in the Church has left a glorious record of his life and ministry. The memory of the just is blessed.

The Committee recommend that the House adopt the following resolutions : —

*Resolved*, That this House, while mourning the absence and the loss of the counsels and influence of our departed brethren and co-workers in the Church, feel that our deprivation is their gain, and that we should ever cherish the memory of their virtues, and the fruits of their well-spent lives, and pray that we, like them, may reflect the glory of God in our life and death.

*Resolved*, That the Report and Memorial of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members be printed as an Appendix to the Journal of this House.

Respectfully submitted.

R. M. ABERCROMBIE, *Chairman.*  
WILLIAM CORNWALL, *Secretary.*

## APPENDIX VII.

### REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON ECCLESIASTICAL RELATIONS

THE Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations respectfully report, —  
That, for the more efficient carrying-on of the work intrusted to them,  
the following Sub-Committees have been appointed:—

1. *On Oriental Churches:—*

THE BISHOPS OF OHIO AND FLORIDA, THE REV. CHARLES R. HALE, S.T.D., AND MR. S. B. RUGGLES.<sup>1</sup>

2. *On the Old Catholics of Germany and Switzerland:—*

THE BISHOPS OF WESTERN NEW YORK AND LONG ISLAND, THE REV. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D., THE REV. GEORGE LEEDS, D.D., THE REV. THOMAS F. DAVIES, D.D., MR. HAMILTON FISH, AND MR. JOHN A. KING.

3. *On the Old Catholics of France:—*

THE BISHOP OF ALBANY, THE REV. R. S. HOWLAND, D.D., THE REV. WILLIAM F. MORGAN, D.D., THE REV. JOHN COTTON SMITH, D.D.,<sup>1</sup> MR. JOHN JAY, MR. HENRY CHAUNCEY, MR. CORNELIUS VANDERBILT.

4. *On the Scandinavian Churches:—*

THE BISHOP OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, THE REV. CHARLES R. BAKER, MR. WOODBURY G. LANGDON.

5. *On the Moravian Church:—*

THE BISHOPS OF PENNSYLVANIA AND WESTERN NEW YORK, THE REV. CHARLES R. HALE, S.T.D., MR. WILLIAM B. CUTTING.

6. *On Correspondence with Foreign Chaplains:—*

THE REV. CHARLES R. HALE, S.T.D.

Not long since, the Bishop of Gibraltar visited Melchisedec, Bishop of Roumania in Roumania, whose acquaintance he had made at the Bonn Conference in 1875. Bishop Sandford speaking of Church unity as a matter very near to his heart, the Roumanian Bishop assured him that this subject occupied the thoughts of many amongst them also. "But," he added, "we must wait. If the Churches of Christ are ever to have closer union, it must come through the Clergy, who at present are not sufficiently educated to desire the boon. Education must strike its roots deeper before Christians can be brought nearer to one another. We must be patient."

It is beyond question, that ignorance of one's self tends to self-satisfaction; ignorance of others, who differ, prevents the forming of a right judgment as to points of difference. We are glad to believe that there is amongst us an increasing desire to know more of Christian brethren from whom we are separated; and it is pleasant to learn, that, not only is there much doing, through the influence of men in high position at Constantinople, Athens, St. Petersburg, and Moscow, to improve the intellectual status of the Clergy, but that during the past three years not a little has been done by Eastern theologians towards making better known in the East the history and the principles of the Anglican Churches. The Ec-

clesiastical History of Professor A. Diomedes Cyriacus, of the University of Athens, published in 1881, has been styled in "The Church Quarterly," "the most important book that has appeared in the Oriental Church for the last thousand years." We are glad to learn, that, since the publication of this history, Professor Cyriacus has been making a special study of the Anglican Churches, the results of which, we trust, may appear at no distant day. In three of the leading Reviews of the Russian Church, the past triennium, series of articles have appeared treating of the Anglican Communion, and quoting largely from its formularies and official documents.

As in former years, the Corresponding Secretary of the Commission has sent copies of the Journal of General Convention to the Patriarchs of the Orthodox Eastern Church. His receipt of this, with a copy of our last Report, has been acknowledged by the venerable Patriarch of Alexandria, in a letter of which the following is a translation:—

SOPHRONIUS, BY THE MERCY OF GOD, POPE AND PATRIARCH OF THE GREAT CITY ALEXANDRIA, AND OF ALL EGYPT.

*Most Reverend and Esteemed Presbyter of the Church of St. John,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, Md., our beloved son in the Lord, CHARLES R. HALE.*

Grace be to your esteemed Reverence, and Peace from God.

The filial letter of your dearly beloved Reverence, dated the 1st-13th of July just past, we received with great joy, together with the accompanying Journal of what you speak of as the Great Synod of the American Church, and the copy of the Report of the Commission of Bishops [and others].

Admiring and praising the earnest zeal for the truth of the Orthodox faith shown by the most worthy members of the Holy Synod, we pray from the heart that there may come down to aid them the blessing from on High and the assistance of the LORD, one of whose last prayers upon earth for those who believed on His Name, was this: "Father, sanctify them through Thy truth . . . that they all may be one as we are one." His grace and boundless mercy be with your Reverence, and with all the members of the Synod.

+ THE POPE AND PATRIARCH OF ALEXANDRIA,  
SOPHRONIUS,

who fervently prays to God for you.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 3, 1883.

The 'Εκκλησιαστικὴ Ἀλήθεια, the organ of the Patriarch of Constantinople, mentioning the receipt, at the Patriarchate, of the Journal and accompanying documents sent by the Corresponding Secretary of our Commission, says, "The Ecclesiastical body of which we speak, composed at this time of twenty-four members (eight Bishops, eight of the Clergy, and eight Laymen), acting under the presidency of the Bishop of Connecticut, sent, six years since, letters and copies of the Journal to the Most Holy Prelates of the Patriarchal Thrones, who, favorably replying, praised the zeal and earnestness which those who composed this Ecclesiastical body showed for the bringing-about of brotherly and friendly relations with the Orthodox Eastern Churches. The letters of the Patriarchs of Constantinople, Alexandria, and Antioch, lithographed on separate pages, are joined to one of the pamphlets sent, entitled 'Ecclesiastical Relations and Religious Reform, Document No. VI.' The assurance contained in

<sup>1</sup> This is a mistake. Dr. Hale is one of the Clergy of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

the Patriarchal letter of the lamented Joachim II., dated Aug. 4, 1878, that 'we shall not cease to strengthen, to the utmost of our power, the holy bond of love, . . . so that thus we may come to the holy miracle of the unity of the Churches,' expresses the common prayer which is breathed by true practical zeal, and unfeigned longing for an attainable good. The desire of the Commission is one worthy of all praise."

July 1, 1882, the Rev. John H. Hill, D D., was called to his rest in the city where he had labored for more than half a century. Greek Clergy were prompt in offering their services at the funeral, numbers of them walked in the immense procession which followed his remains to the grave. The government, by special decree, ordered that official honors should attend his burial. Most eloquent and touching eulogies<sup>1</sup> were delivered at the Church by Demetrius Pantazes, a chief officer in the Department of Public Instruction, and at the grave by Professor Cyriacus, of whom we have already spoken. The Common Council of Athens resolved to erect a marble column over the grave of Dr. Hill at the public expense, and with a suitable inscription testifying to the gratitude of the Greek people.

A few months later, the Rev. Frederick A. Hildner, the English Chaplain at Hermopolis, in the Island of Syra, the early and lifelong friend of Dr. Hill, and for many years a fellow-worker, departed this life, and in like manner received the honors of a public funeral. Methodius, the Archbishop of Syros and Tenos, placed the Cathedral of St. Nicholas at the disposal of the acting Chaplain to the British Legation at Athens, "who," as we learn from a letter of the British Consul at Syra to the Bishop of Gibraltar, "accompanied by the Archbishop and his Clergy, and a vast concourse of the inhabitants of Syra, proceeded there, and read the burial-service, after which the Archbishop delivered a very touching discourse, and gave his benediction, when the body was taken to the cemetery and interred. The ceremony was very impressive; and, from the large attendance of all classes of the inhabitants of this place, it was evident they highly appreciated the union, for the time being, of the two Churches, which, as the Archbishop afterwards told me, they hoped would be the forerunner of a permanent union." It is pleasant to see how hearty has been the appreciation in Greece of men who, in the hour of her need, labored for the intellectual, moral, and religious training of her sons and daughters.

June 23, 1882, Hierotheus, Patriarch of Jerusalem, departed this life. Nicodemus, Archbishop of Mount Tabor, has just been chosen to fill the vacancy, but, at last accounts, had not entered upon his new duties.

We mentioned in our last, that the Churches of Serbia and Roumania had become autocephalous. We learn, however, that so far as concerns the Roumanian Church, while it has *declared itself* independent, its autonomy has not yet been recognized at Constantinople. We trust, however, that the causes of difference may soon be duly arranged to the satisfaction of both parties. In Serbia, through the influence, as is said, of Austria, there have been serious differences between the civil and the ecclesiastical authorities. There is some reason to hope that a solution may be found, ere long, for the Bulgarian difficulty. It will be found none too soon, for the existing confusion has given occasion and opportunity for a vigorous Romish propaganda in those parts.

About the time when our last Report was presented, a Church newspa-

<sup>1</sup> Translations of these are given in the Spirit of Missions for September, 1882, and the Churchman for Aug. 12, 1882.



per was established at Constantinople, to be the organ of the Patriarchate. In the management of this paper, *Ἡ Ἐκκλησιαστικὴ Ἀλήθεια*, and in many other matters pertaining to the duties of his office, the Patriarch has been greatly interfered with by the Turkish Government. Should the protests of the Patriarch and his Council not be listened to by the Porte, the Greeks are resolved to appeal to the Great Powers for the maintenance of their ancient rights.

The *Θρησκευτικὴ Φωνή* of Athens, an admirable paper mentioned in our last, having been forced to suspend publication for want of sufficient support, a somewhat less ambitious paper, the *Φωνὴ τῆς Ἐκκλησίας*, has, in part, taken its place. The Archbishop of Syros and Tenos, Methodius, having been deeply impressed, during the ten years in which he was a teacher in Dr. Hill's school, with the happy results of the thorough Scripture teaching given therein, very early in his Episcopate published a pastoral letter,<sup>1</sup> bidding his flock "lay hold upon the Book of Life, the Book of Light, the Book of the World's Salvation; study the Holy Gospel, meditate upon it day and night, regulate your lives by its holy teachings, and happy will you be." He has recently established a Diocesan paper, the *Ἐκκλησιαστὴς*, sent free of cost to each of his Clergy, dealing with practical religious questions, and adapted for family reading. All three of the Church papers we have mentioned, give, from time to time, simple expositions of the portions of Scripture read in the services of the Church.

The Bishop of Gibraltar mentions, that, at an interview he had with the Armenian Patriarch of Constantinople, the latter "seemed crushed and almost broken-hearted by the sufferings of his people." On the Bishop speaking of the measures adopted at the Berlin Congress in behalf of the Armenians, the Patriarch's reply was, "In no one point have the remedies there adopted been applied. A thousand times have I brought these evils to the notice of the government, and a thousand times has a deaf ear been turned to my supplications. Again and again have I resigned the Patriarchal Throne, on my prayer being rejected; but neither the government nor our people would suffer me to retire." The authorities of the Armenian Church are anxious to improve the education of both Clergy and people. The *United Armenian Societies* have opened a number of schools. An *Armenian Educational Aid Association* has been formed in England, "to assist and to supplement the efforts of the Armenian people to give a general and useful education to their fellow-Christians in Asiatic Turkey."

A meeting was held in London, July 10, 1882, at which the Bishop of Pennsylvania took part, in behalf of the Mission to the Assyrian Christians of Kurdistan, commonly called Nestorians, established among these fellow-Christians at the request of the Assyrian Patriarch. The Rev. Rudolph Wahl, a Clergyman of the diocese of Western New York, had been laboring for some time in this work, and with much success. Difficulties had been put in his way by the Turkish authorities, which it was hoped might be in some way overcome.

Feb 22, 1883, a meeting was held in the Jerusalem Chamber, to consider "the best means of discharging the responsibilities which recent events in Egypt have laid upon the Church of England." An influential Committee, appointed by this meeting, brought the matter to the attention of the Convocation of Canterbury, by a petition laid before the Upper

<sup>1</sup> A translation of this is given in the *Foreign Church Chronicle* for June, 1883, and in the *Churchman* of July 7, 1883.



House in that body, April 11, by the Bishop of Winchester. In this petition it is stated "that the Committee deem it desirable that they should direct their first efforts towards promoting a better education, and a deeper spiritual character, in the Coptic Christians of Egypt." The Committee desired, moreover, "(1) to recognize fully the Orthodox Patriarch of Alexandria, disclaiming any intention of obtruding into his Patriarchate; and (2) to maintain unswerving fidelity to the first four General Councils." An Association for the Furtherance of Christianity in Egypt has been formed, which intends sending out two gentlemen, duly qualified for the purpose, to ascertain and report as to the present practices and teachings of the Copts, so soon as it may be safe to do so; the outbreak of cholera in Egypt causing an unavoidable delay.

Three years ago, Bishop Herzog, of the Christian Catholic Church of Switzerland, was an honored guest amongst us. Soon after his return home, he issued a pastoral letter, on Intercommunion with the Anglo-American Church,<sup>1</sup> which is one of the best apologies for the Anglican Church in existence. A pamphlet printed in Berne, giving, together with this pastoral, a report of a lecture delivered by the Bishop in several of his Churches, and a reprint of letters written by him to *Der Katholik*, of Berne, during his stay with us, is an admirable tract to circulate amongst those understanding German who desire to know what the American Church really is. The editor of the *Deutscher Merkur*, in reviewing this pamphlet, says, "We might be tempted to look upon the flourishing Episcopal Church of America, which is apostolic as to its constitution, scriptural in its teaching, and primitive in its liturgy, withal humane, national, tolerant, and patriotic, — we might be tempted to look upon this Church with envy, could we not rather rejoice heartily at being in communion with it, in the bonds of faith and love." In the latter part of October, 1881, Bishops Reinkens and Herzog visited England, by invitation, and were there the guests of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Bishops of Winchester and Lincoln, attending service in several Churches, and taking part in public meetings at Cambridge and at Lincoln. Soon after his return to his own land, Bishop Reinkens, in his turn, issued a pastoral letter,<sup>2</sup> showing not only how closely he had observed what he had seen, but how carefully he had studied the principles and the history of the English Church.

On the accession of the present Archbishop of Canterbury to the Primacy, Bishop Reinkens and Bishop Herzog wrote to assure him of their congratulations and prayers. The Archbishop's response evinced the same hearty sympathy with the Old Catholics which had ever been shown by his predecessor.<sup>3</sup>

June 4, 1883, was the tenth anniversary of Dr. Reinkens' election as the first Old Catholic Bishop of Germany. The various Old Catholic congregations resolved to mark the day by collecting, in offertories and in other ways, a sum of money, to be given their Bishop on the anniversary, for such Church needs as he might find most urgent. In presenting the money thus raised, nearly six thousand dollars, at a large gathering of representatives of the different parishes, Dr. von Schulte said to the Bishop,

<sup>1</sup> A translation of this pastoral is given in the *Churchman* for July 9, 16, and 23, 1881, and in the *Foreign Church Chronicle* for September and December, 1881.

<sup>2</sup> A translation of which is published in *The Guardian* of Dec. 14, 1881.

<sup>3</sup> These letters are printed in the *Churchman* of July 14, 1883, and in the *Foreign Church Chronicle* of September, 1883.

"You know your congregations as hardly any other Bishop does; you know that everywhere you are revered, and are loved as a friend and father. Your work has not been one for time. The sacrifices you have made will bear fruit for eternity." About six hundred dollars was sent from friends in England, who were glad in this way to give expression to their sympathy.

The Old Catholic Synod met at Bonn, May 16, 1883. There were reported at it, 108 congregations, 38,500 enrolled adherents, a Bishop, and 52 priests. During the past ten years, there had been 7,004 baptisms and 3,400 confirmations. The Old Catholics have contributed themselves about \$250,000, in that time, for Church purposes.

The Christian Catholic Church of Switzerland held its Synod on the same day at Zurich. Bishop Herzog reported fifty-eight priests at work in the various parishes. It was evident that there was a slow increase throughout, and an inward strengthening of the movement, especially in the German cantons. The Christian Catholics are earnestly striving to provide for the support of their services; and it is the more difficult for them to do this, because it is a thing to which they are not accustomed, state aid being so generally depended on by religious communities in Switzerland. There are many places where, if a little help could be afforded, large congregations could soon be established. It is very desirable, also, that mission-priests should be provided to look after the scattered sympathizers with the movement, and those who, dissatisfied with Romanism, and knowing nothing better, are as sheep without a shepherd.

In our last Report, we mentioned that in Austria, after long delay, the laws of the land had made it possible for the Old Catholics to organize, and that they had not been slow to embrace the opportunity. The government has, however, shown itself in various ways most unfriendly. All kinds of obstacles have been put in the way of the Old Catholics; officials have not even shrunk from petty and causeless annoyances. As yet, the friends of reform have not felt strong enough to elect a Bishop for themselves, and meantime they desire the assistance of Bishop Reinkens for confirmations, etc.; but the government of Austria will not allow him to officiate. Nevertheless, like the fabled plant which grows the better the more it is trodden on, there is much ground for encouragement as to the Austrian Old Catholics. Pfarrer Cech, their priest at Vienna, writes, that though some had fallen away under the many trials to which they had been exposed, "their places had been taken, especially of late, by excellent men and women, who were drawn to us by Christian earnestness; so that the congregation, in spite of the unfaithfulness of individuals, has advanced not only in numbers, but — which is the more important matter — in moral strength. . . . We do not despair, deeply convinced that a good and true cause, though it had millions of enemies, must at last succeed, and find an entrance into all hearts, because it is of God, and therefore cannot be overthrown."

The Commission has nothing of special moment to report in reference to the movement for Ecclesiastical reform in France.

A reform movement has, for some years past, been going on in Spain and Portugal. In Spain the "Reformed Spanish Church" has nine congregations, under the care of five Clergymen; the number of Communicants being six hundred and eighty-six. About a thousand more, including children in the schools of this Church, are registered adherents. In Portugal there are six organized congregations, with five Clergymen. In Spain a prayer-book has been published, of which a new edition,

with considerable alterations, is shortly to appear. In Portugal a Liturgy is in press, and, it is said, will soon be published. The Spanish and Portuguese congregations are said to be zealous, and liberal in their offerings according to their means, but these Churches seem to be chiefly supported by contributions from England.

Three years ago, memorials were presented from the Spanish and Portuguese Reformed Churches to the Bishops of the Church of Ireland, praying for the consecration of the Bishops of their choice. Grave doubts being felt by some of the Irish Episcopate, and by other Bishops of the Anglican Communion, as to the expediency of such action at the present time, at a Synod of the Irish Church, held in Dublin in April last, it was resolved as follows: "We, the Archbishops and Bishops of the Church of Ireland, have watched with earnest sympathy the progress which the Reformed Episcopal Churches of Spain and Portugal have made. Bearing in mind, however, the great and manifold difficulties with which the whole case of the memorial brought before us by them is surrounded, and the fact that we look forward to a Conference of the Bishops of the whole Anglican Communion, to be held at Lambeth in 1888, we have thought it good to defer a final reply till the Annual Meeting of the Irish Bishops at the close of that year."

Lord Plunket, the Bishop of Meath, has been greatly interested in regard to the reform movement in Spain and Portugal, has several times visited the congregations of the Peninsula, and has proffered such Episcopal services as may be needed, until other arrangements can be duly made.

Years ago there was a promising movement for Church Reform in Italy. As a result of concessions made by the government to the Papacy, — concessions which would appear, even politically, to have been mistaken ones, — and from other causes, this movement was checked, and seemed to many to have come to an end. But there are those, who, knowing of the good work done by such men as Tosi and Tasca and Bianciardi, could not believe that their work died with them. Count Tasca's son has, in a quiet way, followed in his father's footsteps. Professor Cassani and Padre Curci have done good and steady service in preparing the way for reform in discipline and in doctrine.

Two years since, Count Enrico di Campello, a Canon of St. Peter's, Rome, — "a nobleman," testifies Monsignor Savarese, "of unspotted life and reputation," — renounced the honors and emoluments of his high position, because he felt, that, with his convictions of duty, he could no longer hold them. Early in 1882 he applied to the Archbishop of Canterbury for Episcopal help and direction. The Archbishop, giving assurance of his hearty sympathy, after a careful consideration of all the circumstances of the case, advised, in a letter to the Rev. Dr. Nevin, that the Count di Campello should, for the present, place himself, by Dr. Nevin's mediation and help, in communication with the Bishop superintending the congregations of the American Church upon the continent of Europe.' This advice was promptly acted upon. Soon after his renunciation of what was distinctive of Romanism, Campello set up a daily paper in Rome, *Il Labaro*, to advocate the principles of reform. Larger co-operation, financial and other, than he could command, being required to make such an enterprise a success, the issue of this paper was, after a time, suspended. With a heart full of zeal, he began a Mission work among the poor and degraded, and in this labored with marked efficiency. Licensed now by the Bishop in charge of our "Foreign Churches" to "execute his

office as a 'dispenser of the word of God and of His Holy Sacraments,' working wherever there may be lawful opportunity for a reform of the Church in Italy upon the model of the Primitive Church, . . . and until such time as the service-book of the Church in Italy can be duly revised, to make use provisionally of the forms of worship set forth by the Church in England and in America, or of so much of them as may be found needful, as well as of such part of the Latin ones as may be consistent with the faith and order of the truly Catholic and Apostolic Church," he has begun holding regular services in the city of Rome. A room has been fitted up as the Chapel of San Paolo, in which every Sunday and holy day the Holy Communion is administered, and a sermon preached. Here, every night during the week, are taught those who come for instruction, of whom the number is not inconsiderable. Very recently *Il Labaro* has been revived as a monthly periodical.

Campello's work is not one of proselytism, or of denunciation of Rome; but he aims to supply the spiritual needs of those, — of whom there are many of every class, from the highest to the lowest, — who, to use the words of the late Bishop Wilberforce, "have been led to break the enforced Roman obedience, and who wish to resume, as a branch of the Church Catholic, the primitive faith and practice."

Count Enrico di Campello has lately visited England, and has made an excellent impression upon all who there met with him. Some help was there secured for the carrying-on of his work. It remains for the American Church to do its part, also, in a cause in which it may well have a very special interest.

At a meeting held at Winchester, in England, Count Campello said, "I recall and make my own the words with which the Venerable Archdeacon of Westminster, Christopher Wordsworth, now the noble Bishop of Lincoln, ended his brilliant speech made in favor of my Italy, in London, a few years ago, at a meeting of the Anglo-Continental Society: 'I am perfectly certain there are hundreds and thousands of men of piety and intelligence who will soon take part in the movement for reform; and God grant they may succeed.'"

We believe there are ample grounds for this prediction, not only as to Italy, but as regards other lands also, where Romanism has overlaid Primitive Christianity.

God grant that the time may soon come for its fulfilment, and that we of the American Church may do our part towards a consummation so devoutly to be wished.

All which is respectfully submitted.

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## APPENDIX VIII.

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### REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH INCORPORATIONS AND THE TENURE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

THE Joint Commission appointed by the last General Convention "to inquire into and report upon the subject of Church incorporations as existing among us, and the method of tenure of Church property," beg leave to report as follows: to wit, —

The subject of inquiry was brought to the attention of the General Convention of 1880 by the Deputies in that body, from the Diocese of Minnesota, acting under the instructions of the Council of that Diocese. The result of this action was a resolution providing for the appointment of a commission, which was, thereupon, duly constituted.<sup>1</sup> Subsequently, by resolution of the Convention, the Commission was "authorized to enlarge the number of its members by the addition of three or more persons, not exceeding six, learned in the law." Acting under this permission, after the adjournment of the Convention, the Commission increased its number by the addition of six members; public announcement being made of their appointment by the Chairman.<sup>2</sup>

In a communication published under date of February 6, 1881, the Chairman of the Commission, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Central New York, set forth the objects sought to be attained by the appointment of the Commission, and the importance to the Church of close attention to the practical bearing of the subject.

Attention was called to the frequent loss of gifts, bequests, and property, through defects or irregularity in legal forms, and to the "waste in Dioceses, Parishes, and public charities, for the want of duly constituted and qualified trust corporations empowered to receive and manage the endowments."

Reference was made to facts then already brought to the attention of the Commission, showing the disaster resulting from imperfect legislation, fiduciary negligence, and the ignorance of testators.

A request was made for facts, opinions, and suggestions; and the following recommendations were made to all Dioceses in the United States where such action had not already been taken: —

1. To consider the expediency of obtaining, if possible, from the legis-

<sup>1</sup> The Commission, as originally appointed, consisted of the Bishops of Central New York, Maine, and Nevada; the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D.D., the Rev. William Adams, D.D., the Rev. D. D. Chapin; Mr. Alexander H. McGuffey, Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D., and Mr. Samuel K. Wilson. — *Journal* 1880, pp. 54, 61.

<sup>2</sup> The additional members thus appointed were Mr. John H. Stiness, Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. E. T. Wilder, Mr. George H. Bates, Mr. John H. Bissell, and Mr. Edward S. Rand.



lative authority in each State or Territory, an Act making the Diocese itself, or its Convention or Council, a legal corporation, qualified to receive and hold in trust any Church property designed for religious, benevolent, or educational purposes, under suitable conditions.

2. To appoint, from time to time, a committee to examine the state, title, and securities of all funds or investments or real property having a Diocesan character.

3. To require every parish to report to the Diocesan Convention or Council, whether there is good ground to believe that its right to receive and hold property is good under the provisions of the common or statute law.

As a result of this action, the subject was drawn under consideration in several of the Diocesan Conventions; and with respect to what has already been done, both before and since the appointment of the Commission, it may fairly be said that there has been a good beginning, and some progress in the direction indicated in the suggestions made.

In August last a circular letter was prepared, containing ten questions intended to elicit information upon the whole subject; and copies were sent to the Bishops, and also to the Secretaries of the Diocesan Conventions.

To this letter, from only nineteen Dioceses have answers been received containing information of some value, but not full enough to furnish the material for such a report as the Commission desired to make, nor to offer a basis for the compilation of statistics, either comprehensive or exact.

Enough has been ascertained, however, to warrant the estimate that the aggregate value of property held by the Church, for various uses, cannot be less than thirty millions of dollars, not including the large properties controlled by Trinity Parish in New York. The control of this large interest is distributed among more than three thousand corporations in different States, with different powers, subject to different trusts, and it is to be feared, at the very least, more than half of it not impressed with the trusts to which it is intended to be applied in such manner as to insure the protection of the law.

It will, in the judgment of the Commission, be impossible for any candid mind to apply itself to even a superficial examination of this subject, without being duly impressed with the lack of system, uncertainty, and ineffectiveness, with which these great property interests are secured to the future use and benefit of the Church. And, in most of the Dioceses, there are now possibilities of loss, which by greater legal precision, and the adoption of accurate forms of conveyance, well-considered corporate supervision, and attention to the clear and legal definition of trusts, might be reduced to a minimum, if not absolutely avoided.

It might be presumed, that, with respect to the Church buildings and Rectories, the interest of the individual Parishes would be strong enough to afford adequate protection. We venture, however, to hazard the assertion, that, in Dioceses where this subject has not been especially and carefully considered and acted upon, it will be found to be the rule, that there is no barrier which could, in case of necessity, be interposed to prevent the diversion of the property from its legitimate use, or its being hopelessly encumbered by any Vestry which might, by accident or otherwise, find itself in the control of it. The Canon upon the subject of the alienation and incumbrance of Church property affords no legal protec-



tion whatever, as has been demonstrated in several notable cases arising in the courts of law.

Such, generally stated, being the condition of affairs, it is apparent that the subject demands the most careful consideration and serious attention of the Church. The remedy for these evils, however, cannot be furnished or applied through the General Convention, but must be sought in and through the several Dioceses.

It is very important, that it be clearly understood that the subject cannot be covered by Canonical legislation, either general or Diocesan, but must be controlled by the statute law of the respective States. The provisions of Canon 24, Title I., have, of themselves, only moral, not legal, force, to prevent alienation or incumbrance contrary to its provisions. The effect of the existing Canon has probably been misleading in creating a false impression of security. What is needed is, not a provision depending upon voluntary action, but one which will restrain a Vestry which does not consider itself bound by the Canon, and makes the Church property useless to a purchaser, because available for no other use than that to which it has been consecrated.

If there is to be a Canon on the subject, it would seem to be desirable to so frame it as to secure the execution of its provisions *ex vi termini*. And it is practicable to require by general Canon, that, for the future, the title to real estate for Church buildings, Chapels, and Rectories, shall be taken only under conveyances expressly defining a trust, the general terms of which might possibly be set forth. The Commission have not considered it within the proper scope of the present report, to suggest any Canonical legislation. If, upon consideration, the Committees on Canons should deem such legislation advisable, it would not be difficult to frame such amendments as would accomplish what is intended by the present Canon, at least wherever the common-law doctrine of uses and trusts is in force.

Beyond this point, legislation by the General Convention could not go; since the title to real property must be acquired and held under such diverse systems of law as, were there no other reason, to forbid any attempt to furnish unvarying forms and methods.

It was, nevertheless, a timely measure of prudence for the General Convention to direct attention to a subject so vital in its relation to the future welfare and prosperity of the Church. Already its action has led, in more than one instance, to Diocesan action; and it is believed, that, if the present interest be not suffered to abate, few if any Dioceses will fail to make proper provision for the future security of their property.

Entertaining these views, the Commission has not considered the scope of its authority—conferred by the somewhat indefinite resolution under which it was appointed—to go beyond the collection of information, and the suggestion of such general principles of action as might be safely recommended.

While it is to be regretted that the information obtained has been so meagre, it is yet sufficient to show the necessity for prompt and energetic action to secure permanence in the tenure of Church property, and the creation of suitable Church corporations with such powers as to make them available for all present or future necessities of a Diocese.

Without entering into or attempting to prescribe details, except for the purpose of illustration, the Commission desire most earnestly to direct attention to these vital points:—

1. It is of the utmost importance, that, upon the *title* of every separate property dedicated to the uses of the Church, there be impressed a trust which will be so clear and well-defined as to secure it for all time against diversion, and to protect it against the contingency, of being alienated from its legitimate use, either directly or through the medium of incumbances, even by the action, or with the assent, of those who happen, for the time being, to be entitled to its use.

With proper attention to legal forms, the end may be secured, whether the legal title to the property be vested in the Parochial or in a Diocesan corporation.

It is not within the province of the Commission, to decide between the two systems; but it may be permitted to suggest some of the advantages which accrue from an adequate Diocesan provision for the separation of the legal from the equitable title.

The former may be vested in such corporations as are hereafter recommended, as a dry trust, which in certain contingencies, — as, for example, the failure of the Parish organization, — would become an active trust, subject to proper limitations to be prescribed in each case. The use may, in such case, be vested absolutely in the Parish, and subject to its control for every legitimate end as fully as under an absolute conveyance to it. If there be objection, in any quarter, to the application of this system to existing Parishes, it may be made compulsory only for the future, and voluntary as to others. If the admirable features of this system are understood, it may, when that is desired by a Diocesan Convention, be safely left to work its own way to popular favour, when the necessary machinery is provided to make it practicable.

What is termed, for convenience, the Diocesan system, has the additional advantage of providing a proper custodian of the property when, from any cause, there ceases to be a local Parish or organization to use and to protect it. The provision of a corporation of the Diocese, to hold the legal title to real estate held for Parochial as well as Diocesan purposes, also furnishes the necessary machinery hereafter recommended for the convenient administration of trusts of every species of property, whether the amount be large or small, and secures its application to the purpose designated by the donor.

It is a fact well understood, that the want of security and certainty for the future restrains many pious and benevolent persons from making gifts, devises, or bequests, which would otherwise be secured to some one of the many objects for which the Church is constantly appealing for pecuniary aid.

The frequent changes in the Vestries, the composition of very many of them, and the confessed impossibility of present improvement in this respect, together with the fact that they are intrusted with the care of the property interests which were never intended to be at the disposal of any one generation, — all demonstrate the impropriety of having these important interests at the mercy of so unstable and accidental a guardian.

It is to be remembered, on the other hand, that care must be taken, where titles are vested in the Diocesan corporation, that nothing shall be done to weaken the sense of responsibility of the Parishes and local authorities for maintaining the services of the Church, and doing their work to the extent of their ability. The suggestion of the Diocesan system does not affect the relation of the Parish to its property, since upon it must rest the entire responsibility and actual control as heretofore.

Another measure, already adopted in some States, for the protection of Church buildings and real estate of kindred character, is a statutory provision forbidding the alienation of such property without the prior approval of a competent court of equity. The publicity attending applications to the court under such laws insures an opportunity for all interested parties to be heard; and, if these laws should be extended to embrace mortgages as well as absolute conveyances, they would probably afford adequate protection. Where, under the practice of a Diocese, the title is vested in the Parochial corporation or local trustees, the passage of such a law would be a valuable safeguard; and even where the legal title is vested in a Diocesan body, though the necessity is less pressing, it is still an additional security if alienation and incumbrance of the Church building, at least, be only permitted under the direction of the court. Such laws exist in the States of Virginia and Ohio, and possibly in others not reported to the Commission.

2. This naturally suggests the other branch of inquiry included in the resolution under which the Commission was appointed.

The necessity of a comprehensive Diocesan corporation, capable in law of holding any species of property upon any trust which may be ingrafted upon it, is apparent, and now becoming so generally recognized as to require statement only, and not discussion.

Such a corporation may be comprehensive enough to administer any and every trust within the Diocese, whether its object be Diocesan or Parochial, and whether it be strictly ecclesiastical, or one of those eleemosynary, educational, or benevolent foundations which are already frequent, and, as the real spirit of the Divine Master more thoroughly permeates the Church, will the more abound if the creation of proper Diocesan agencies insures fidelity in their execution and reasonable certainty in their future safe-keeping.

Such corporations, responsible to the Diocesan Convention or Council, are annually subjected to the scrutiny which business considerations render necessary; and embarrassments to the trust by death or resignation of trustees, and the lapse or loss of trust property, are thus guarded against with absolute certainty.

Such corporations appear, from the reports made to the Convention, to have been already provided in several Dioceses; and the number of them is increasing. Some of those already created are very comprehensive, and will afford satisfactory precedents for similar legislation for Dioceses which have not yet acted upon the subject.

3. In order to secure both or either of these points, it will be essential for each Diocesan Convention to provide, as early as is practicable, for the thorough examination of the condition of its titles, and the tenure of its property; and to obtain from the legislature such enactments as shall be found necessary to secure adequate protection for the future. At the same time, the creation of such Diocesan corporate bodies as may be required should be secured.

Where, as is done in some cases, the Diocese is itself incorporated, there should be provision in the charter for the administration of trusts and property interests by a board of trustees with some degree of permanence, rather than by so transitory a body as the Diocesan Convention. The trustees may be elected by the Convention for fixed terms, or may be named in the Act of Incorporation, with provision for filling vacancies by vote of the Convention or otherwise.

The Commission recommend that this subject be presented to the attention of the several Dioceses more effectually than will be accomplished by the publication of this Report in the Journal. If it be deemed advisable, provision may also be made for the continuance of this Joint Commission, to be charged with the duty of assisting, when such assistance shall be requested, in the formulation of Diocesan and legislative action, suggesting well-considered forms of conveyance and the collection of information, to be reported to the next General Convention.

The passage of the following resolutions is respectfully recommended:

1. *Resolved* (the House of Bishops concurring), That it is recommended to each Diocese, to obtain, without delay, such legislation as may be found necessary with respect to the existing laws of the State, for the protection of its property, real and personal, and whether held for Diocesan or Parochial uses.

2. *Resolved* (the House of Bishops concurring), That all real estate held in any Diocese, for Diocesan or Parochial purposes, should have the use for which it is held, impressed upon its title.

3. *Resolved* (the House of Bishops concurring), That a form of conveyance should be provided, under which churches shall acquire title to real estate, with proper limitations in trust.

4. *Resolved* (the House of Bishops concurring), That the Committees on Canons be, and they are hereby, requested to consider and report if, in their judgment, Canon 24, Title I., should be amended so as to require that title to real estate for Churches, Chapels, or Rectories, shall be so taken as that the trusts under which they are held shall be limited in the conveyance.

5. *Resolved* (the House of Bishops concurring), That a permanent board of trustees, with proper provision for filling vacancies, should be legally incorporated in each Diocese, to take charge of and control all such property of the Diocese or of its Parishes as may be intrusted to it. When the Diocese is itself incorporated, the Act of Incorporation should provide for the exercise of its corporate powers in the care of property, and the administration of trusts, by a board of trustees having some permanence of organization, rather than directly by the Diocesan Convention.

6. *Resolved* (the House of Bishops concurring), That the joint commission upon Church Incorporations and the Tenure of Church Property be, and the same is hereby, continued for the purpose of assisting, when requested, in the formulation of Diocesan and legislative action, suggesting forms of conveyance, and the collection of further information to be reported to the next General Convention.

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## APPENDIX IX.

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### REPORT OF THE COMMISSION TO CONFER WITH THE AUTHORITIES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, AS A BOARD OF REFERENCE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THE Commission to confer with the authorities of the Church of England, as a Board of Reference on Foreign Missions, respectfully report:—

This Commission was appointed in October, 1880; and consists of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop in charge of American Churches in Europe, the Bishops of Connecticut, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

The Commission met immediately after the rising of the last General Convention; the Bishop of Connecticut in the Chair. The Bishop of Ohio was appointed Secretary, and charged with the necessary correspondence.

The Commission met again on September 12, 1882; and on October 28, 1882.

The correspondence, which led to the appointment of the Commission, commenced in 1879: since 1880 it has been voluminous and constant; especially vigorous during 1882, and was terminated only in July of this year. The parties in correspondence have been Archbishop Tait, Archbishop Benson, the Bishop in Tokio of Japan, the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, the Church Missionary Society, our own Foreign Committee, and the Bishops of the Commission who have been constantly consulted.

This correspondence has been of peculiar interest, involving principles that lie at the basis of Church unity and of the independence of National Churches.

Some of it, the Commission think, should be preserved among our archives, and is presented to the House of Bishops for that purpose; but it will be unnecessary, in this Report, to enter into details, further than to state the objects desired by the Commission and the results attained.

During the progress of the correspondence, Archbishop Tait has passed to his rest. The Commission record, with devout thankfulness to God for his pure example of the best traits in the character of a Christian Bishop, their sense of the peculiar urbanity and fraternal cordiality exhibited by the late Archbishop in that part of this correspondence, which was terminated only by his death. In the same spirit his successor assumed and closed the discussion. The result has been largely according to their wishes; and the Commission reflect, with great satisfaction, upon the course and friendly character of the discussion in all its aspects.

It will be remembered by the House, that, under a resolution of the Lambeth Conference, it was referred to a Joint Commission to adjust the relations between Missionary Bishops of our several Churches, who might



be labouring in the same foreign countries. Practically the reference was to our Missions in China and Japan, where Bishops of our Churches were, or were expected to be, labouring side by side.

No questions have arisen with respect to our Missionary jurisdiction in China. In Japan the idea of fixing limits of territorial jurisdiction was felt to be impracticable; but our Missionary Bishop desired, that, when a Bishop of the Church of England should be appointed, his place of residence should be other than Tokio, the capital, where the chief work of our Mission is being carried on, and where Bishop Williams resides. But it happened, naturally, that the main work of the English Societies was located at the same place, or in its neighborhood. Hence the difficulty. Our Foreign Committee and your Commission sympathized with Bishop Williams; they appreciated the importance to the future Japanese National Church, that the principle of territorial jurisdiction should be inculcated,—at least, that two Bishops of the Anglican Church should not be seen by it to have residence in the same city.

On this point the “Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel” at once yielded its preference. The Church Missionary Society, having much larger interests at stake, found it more difficult to meet our views; but finally acquiesced in the suggestion of the late Archbishop, renewed by the present Archbishop of Canterbury, and which is announced in his letter of July 3 of this year.

The Bishop of the Church of England, who is sent out to oversee their Missions in Japan, is directed to make the city of Kobe his residence, leaving to Bishop Williams residence in the capital, the city of Tokio.

The following resolutions of the Commission will sufficiently explain the objects sought for:—

*Resolved*, That in view of the fact, that, on account of the greatly regretted serious illness of his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, no corresponding Commission of English Bishops has, as yet, been appointed to act with this Commission, and consequently no authoritative action, such as was contemplated by the late Lambeth Conference, can be taken by the Joint Commission; and in view of the imminence of the appointment of an additional Bishop of the English Church for the islands of Japan, therefore, this Commission addresses itself respectfully to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and the Church Missionary Society, presenting its unanimous judgment, and the wishes of the Foreign Committee of our Missionary Society, on the subject of the relations of our Missionary Bishops in China and Japan, to the Bishops of the Church of England in those countries:—

1st, As to residence; that only one Foreign Missionary Bishop of our Churches should reside in any city where we have joint work.

2d, As to jurisdiction and oversight; that it must be left to the Bishops on the ground to arrange their work, and the methods of it; the Commission only urging that every appearance of conflict or confusion of jurisdiction should be avoided.

3d, As to arrangement of residence; that the Bishop of the American Church should remain at Tokio, and that the cities of Osaka and Kioto shall be common ground for Missionary work by both our Churches, no Bishop to have residence in those cities.

The following letter from the Archbishop announces that all those objects have been practically attained.



LAMBETH PALACE, S.E., July 3, 1883.

*To the Right Rev. Bishop Bedell, Bishop of Ohio.*

MY DEAR AND RIGHT REVEREND BROTHER, — I have the satisfaction of being able to notify officially to you, as representing the Board of Missions of the American Church, that an English Missionary Bishop for Japan has now been nominated, and will, as soon after his consecration as possible, go out to that Empire. He is the Rev. Arthur William Poole, a man who, as we have every reason to believe, possesses abundantly the qualifications required of a Bishop of the Anglican Church in Japan.

I am glad to find from an examination of the correspondence which passed between my predecessor Archbishop Tait, the American Church, and the English Missionary societies, that Mr. Poole is able to enter on the great work before him unhampered by the difficulties which, some little time ago, appeared likely to interfere with the Missionary work of the Anglican Church in Japan.

The memorandum you were good enough to transmit, during the illness of the late Archbishop of Canterbury, to the English Missionary Societies, in your letter dated October 28, 1882, lays down a basis of action which, if it is not exactly what we should have desired, will yet, I hope and believe, prove satisfactory. I should, myself, undoubtedly have preferred that the decisions of the Lambeth Conference of 1878 should have been more closely adhered to than will be possible if, as your resolution proposes, there is to be some common ground upon which both Bishops are to exercise jurisdiction.

It seems, however, that such adherence to the Lambeth resolutions was not, in your view, possible, if an English Bishop was to work at all among our great mission stations in Southern Japan; and I, therefore, readily acquiesce in your proposals, and have made arrangements that the new Bishop should reside in Kobe, unless, after consultation with the representatives of the American Church, he and you should think it better for him to have his headquarters at Osaka, as proposed in your letter of September 29, 1879.

I remain, my dear Bishop of Ohio,

Your faithful brother in Christ,

EDW. CANTUAR.

To this letter the Secretary of the Commission replied as follows: —

DIocese of OHIO, KOKOSING, GAMBIER,  
July 17, 1883.

*To His Grace, the Archbishop of Canterbury.*

RIGHT REVEREND, MY LORD, — Allow me to offer my hearty congratulations on your appointment to the office of highest dignity in our Anglican Church. That it is of the most onerous responsibility follows.

I thank you, in the name of my Episcopal brethren of the Commission, for having entered so fraternally and promptly on the consideration of the difficult relations in the Mission work in Japan. The solution which your Grace has adopted will, I trust, reconcile conflicting interests, and enable the brethren of our one Episcopal Mission to reach the best spiritual results in harmony. It is of prime importance, in our efforts to

guide the Christian Japanese whilst founding their own National Church, to show them that difference of nationalities does not in any way sunder the unity of the Catholic Church. The brotherly concord and mutual helpfulness of Bishops of the English and American Churches, working together with the same heart to the same end, will assist the Japanese in realizing the true idea of oneness in Christ Jesus.

I will write to Bishop Williams concerning the last suggestion of your Grace, and report his reply.

I have communicated the letter of your Grace to the Foreign Committee of our Board of Missions, and will communicate it to the Commission of Bishops on Ecclesiastical Relations, of which I have the honour to be Secretary.

Allow me to remain very sincerely yours,

G. T. BEDELL.

The other topic of correspondence concerned the translation of the Book of Common Prayer into the Japanese language. It was well understood that the use of any such translation must be only tentative, and would serve chiefly as a useful model for the Church in Japan, when it should be prepared to set forth for itself a book of common devotion suited to the genius of the nation. Yet it seemed important, that, both for the sake of unity and for economy, only one Book should be published for the joint use of members of our two Churches. Happily the divergence between the Prayer Books of our two national Churches is slight, and involves no point of doctrinal teaching. We were solicitous, however, that, in the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, the improvements introduced at the date of our Revision should be printed (as has been done in some other instances), in addition to the elder English form. His Grace, the Archbishop, was seriously ill at the date of this correspondence, and was obliged to refer the matter to the Church Missionary Society, which was principally concerned. After considerable discussion our view was not adopted, in relation to the Communion Office, although in other respects the principle which we urged has governed in the preparation of the Book.

We now present a copy of this Prayer Book, together with the following statement from Bishop Williams of Tokio, concerning its contents:—

#### THE JAPANESE PRAYER-BOOK. (EXPLANATIONS.)

JULY 17, 1883.

The parts common to the American and English books inserted.

Where the two books differ, the following adjustments have been made.

#### VOLUME I.

##### *Morning Prayer.*

1. The three opening sentences as in the American book inserted.
2. The second form of absolution omitted.
3. Two versicles as in the English book inserted.
4. *The Venite*, the whole Psalm inserted with brackets, and a rubric allowing the omission of the portion not in the American book.
5. *Benedictus*, the whole inserted as in the English book.

6. The Nicene Creed omitted.
7. The three versicles and the Lord's Prayer as in the English book omitted.
8. The versicles as in English book inserted.

*Evening Prayer.*

The same course followed in the adjustment of the Evening Prayer as was taken in the Morning Prayer.

9. The Canticles peculiar to each book inserted.
10. The Athanasian Creed omitted.
11. The Litany, a rubric allowing the omission of a portion as in American book.
12. The Occasional Prayers and Thanksgivings peculiar to each book inserted.

*The Collects.*

13. The order of the American book followed, and the prayers for Ash-Wednesday as in the American book inserted.

*The Office for the Holy Communion.*

14. The Summary of the Commandments as in the American book inserted.
15. The Prayers for Rulers as in the English book not inserted.
16. The Nicene Creed inserted.
17. In the Prayer for the Church Militant, the portion in the English book for Rulers not inserted; the American book followed.
18. The longer Exhortation as in the American book.
19. In the Proper Prefaces, the alternate form for Trinity Sunday inserted.
20. The Prayer of Consecration as in the English book.
21. Two Prayers after the Communion as in the English book inserted.
22. The Family Prayers, as in the American book, inserted at the end of vol. i., for the convenience of the Christians.

VOLUME II.

23. The Solemnization of Marriage. The English form inserted, but so arranged that by the use of brackets and rubrics it may be used as in the American book.

24. The Visitation of the Sick as in the American book, with the addition of Psalm lxxi.

*The Burial of the Dead.*

25. Both Psalms as in the English book inserted.
26. Versicles before the Lord's Prayer as in the English book inserted.
27. The two Prayers as in the American book inserted.

*The Churching of Women.*

28. Two Psalms as in the English book inserted.
29. The Communion Service inserted, but its use is optional.
30. The Athanasian Creed inserted as a Hymn, and appointed to be sung. Its use is at the discretion of the Minister.

It will be observed that he has faithfully presented to the Japanese Christians all the essential amendments of our national revision.

The Commission has found its labour very pleasant, because of the courteous considerateness which has marked the correspondence on the part of the Archbishop and our English brethren. There will be probable need for the continuance of such a commission.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. T. BEDELL, *Secretary.*

## APPENDIX X.

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### PAPER PRESENTED IN THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE FUNCTIONS OF RECTORS, WARDENS, AND VESTRYMEN.

THE subjects referred to the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen, etc., are contained in the following resolution; viz., —

“*Resolved*, — That a Joint Committee of both Houses, consisting of three Bishops and three Clerical and three Lay Deputies, be appointed to consider and report to the next General Convention what are the several functions of Rectors and of Wardens and Vestrymen, in the control and administration of parishes, ascertaining the rights and authority of each in the premises, according to the principles and laws of the Church, and reporting to the next General Convention, what, in their opinion, is the best method of making those principles and laws of effect.”

And also in another resolution, as follows: —

“*Resolved*, — That it be referred to the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen, to consider and report to the next General Convention what is the law of the Church in relation to the constitution of Vestries, and that they also report what legislation, if any, is necessary and desirable on that subject.”

We are clearly shut up by these resolutions to “*the principles and laws of the Church*” as our guide in the ascertainment and statement of the duties, rights, and authority of Rectors and Vestries respectively, — or “Wardens and Vestrymen,” as they are called in one resolution. We shall find at once that a sharp distinction must be drawn between the “principles” and the “laws.” The former are indisputable and abundant: the latter are obscure and seriously deficient. It will be at once conceded, that, so far as the one party is concerned, the Church’s principles may be gathered from her consistent dealings with her clergy all the way up from the Declaration of Candidateship to the Subscription that is twice made a condition precedent to her gift of Holy Orders; and then through the Exhortations and Questions of the two Ordination Offices, and finally the weighty words of the Office of Institution. Even the symbolic acts of such public and solemn transactions shadow forth a *principle*. But the Church’s *laws* are quite another matter. They may not be read even in the momentous moral obligations of Subscriptions and Ordinal Questions, but only in the few and incomplete *Canons* concerning Rectors and Vestries. Laws are not to be gathered out of inferences or symbolism. Nevertheless, it may be found that the covenants contained in Subscriptions and Ordination vows *create obligations*, moral



laws, that are of the very essence of the pastoral relation in this Church: no Rectorship may be conceivable without them; and, without the continual unearthing of them for exhibition, they may be the foundation-stones of all possible pastoral functions, rights, and authority in this Church.

Now, as to the Church's laws bearing on the functions of Wardens and Vestrymen, it seems hardly credible at first statement that the general Church is so ill-furnished in a matter of such importance. If it were all remanded to *Diocesan* legislation, it were unwise enough, but it is not: very much seems to be left to nothing better than "art and man's device," which, in many of our parishes, is an uncertain but not an unknown quantity. Besides, there is much and important legislation in the Digest concerning some of the difficult and delicate relations of the parties, and a great deal of official action required of Wardens and Vestrymen, in matters of gravest concern. Let us look for a moment.

The Digest legislates concerning the Vestry's duties in respect to the admission of candidates, their subsequent candidatedship, and their ordination; the notice of a Rector's election, which becomes legal evidence; the institution of the same; the sometimes necessary steps in the dissolution of the pastoral relation; the prevention of official acts by unlicensed foreign Clergymen; occasionally, the making of the Annual Report at Convention; the "giving information to the Bishop, of the state of the congregation" when required at visitations; the occasional certification of a Communicant's good standing; the question of the formation of new Parishes and of new Dioceses; the information against a Minister for neglect or refusal "to officiate within his cure," and against a Bishop for declining to visit one of his churches; and the holding of title to Church estates, millions upon millions of property in sacred buildings being under the control of these corporations.

These things, doubtless, ought the Church to do; but ought she to leave the other undone? Very much is so left. With all these responsibilities laid upon Vestries, there is no legal requirement that any Parish in the United States shall have a Vestry; or, if it be pleased to have one, no intimation whether its members shall hold for one year, or during good behaviour; whether they shall be elective, or appointed by patronage, or by Trustees; whether they shall be all Wardens, or none; whether the Rector shall have the right of presiding, voting, or even of being present, at meetings often so vitally important to the welfare of the Parish for which he is responsible, or be ignored altogether; whether full membership in the Church which they represent, or even attendance at its services, shall be a necessary qualification for any Warden or Vestryman, or all may be non-Churchmen, even unbelievers; whether, when the Parish falls vacant, the Bishop shall be informed of the fact, or discover it, sooner or later, by rumour more or less credible; whether, in the filling of said vacancy, he who is divinely appointed to the care of all the Churches within his Diocese shall have opportunity for counsel (not control), and also knowledge of the names to be presented for election, or all may be effected unknown by, or even concealed from, the Bishop. So too, with the same unhappy consistency, the Church's law nowhere requires the Rector or Minister to notify the Bishop of his intended or actual resignation of his Parish, whether it be with or without his people's approbation; whether to the advantage or the temporary ruin of his Church. So that all that appertains, directly or indirectly, to the filling and the vacating of every Parish



in the United States, with the vastly momentous issues for the Church of God and its Clergy resulting therefrom, may be begun, continued, and ended, without the official knowledge or assent of any Bishop in the Church, save in the few cases where a Bishop's part is to say of a chosen stranger, "He is ecclesiastically in good standing;" and in the fewer cases still, where he must accept the invitation to mediate in wretched quarrels over a desired but withheld resignation. Is there another Church in Christendom, reformed or unreformed, Episcopal or non-Episcopal, of whose government such a statement can be made? Methodism, Presbyterianism, Congregationalism even, is "law and order" perfected, as compared with such a condition of things as this.

So much for "the existing *law* of the Church in relation to the constitution of Vestries."

As to the "*principles* of the Church" which bear upon "the several functions of Rectors, and of Wardens and Vestrymen, in the control and administration of Parishes," and "the rights and authority of each in the premises," no such deficiency is to be noted. True, the discovery of the Church's principles as they affect *Vestries* is to be gathered not chiefly from any authorized statement, but in part from a sort of common law inherited from the Mother Church, along with its greatly modified parochial system; partly from such general agreement as is found in all diocesan legislation and parochial constitutions; partly—but with caution—from such State laws touching Vestries as have been accepted or even promoted by the Churchmen of the several States; and, perhaps most fully, from the universally understood mind of the Church, as to the place and office of Vestries. But the principles of the Church, as they affect *Rectors*, are so plain that he who runs may read, if only he have the Book of Common Prayer with him.

But before stating these principles, as they concern both Rectors and Vestries, two things should be distinctly understood: viz., that the Ministry is of God, and is essential to the Church's high calling; and that the parish system, with its Vestry, is of man, and is non-essential. Some of the offices of religion cannot be discharged without a Ministry: all of them may be without a Vestry, or even a parish. The Vestry was unknown to the earlier and most glorious days of the Church, while its Ministry shines out as a crown of glory. From those martyr-days, when so many who died for Christ still live in history with the title of honour, "Priest," "Confessor," "Virgin," appended to their names, no martyr has come down to us with the cognomen "Vestryman." The Vestry system, as we have it in America, is a very modern thing, a creation of this American Church. Hence any thing which should make the modern Vestry lords over the ancient Ministry, "having dominion over their faith" instead of sharers of their labour and joy, would be unscriptural, unhistorical, tyrannical, intolerable. Nevertheless, the parish, and its official representative the Vestry, is a providential creation of this American Church, and is to be respected, utilized, honoured. Nobody expects, few desire, to see it done away with. The whole history of this Church as we bless God for it at this centennial commemoration, were another thing without our potential and generally efficient parochial system. If the two elements, now generally necessary to the fullest development of Church life in the American parish, be only in place, in vigour, and in harmony, the Church is at its best as a holy power for the Master in almost any community.

The Vestry, according to the principles of the Church, is the chosen representative of the Parish in all things temporal, and in such things spiritual as, of Christian liberty and responsibility, belong to every man — and therefore to every parishioner — who is in Christ Jesus. In all things temporal, almost as a matter of course. But higher than canonical authority makes the people a chosen priesthood, and the faith is for the great company of them and their children as much as for the little company of the Clergy. The Laity therefore must ever be — because they are Christian men and Churchmen — first learners and then conservators and defenders, so far as in them lies, of the doctrine, discipline, and worship of this their Church. The Canon law in many instances, as well as their Christian calling, summons them to this office; and, thank God! our National Church's history brings fresh to our minds, on this our jubilee year, abounding precedents for its fullest exercise, and testimonies to its vast worth. So long as our American organization of lay-influence in parishes, Diocesan Conventions, and General Convention, abides, that dark day for the Church will be kept distant, when its hundreds of thousands of communicants shall be allowed to think that they have nothing to say, through Christian and orderly encouragement, countenance, remonstrance, or protest, concerning the doctrine, discipline, and worship that are ministered to themselves and their children in their own Churches; whether those ministrations be in glad accord with, or undeniably — perhaps avowedly — in defect or in excess of, the Book of Common Prayer. The Church dare not welcome, among the devout and intelligent multitudes who constitute her communion, the ignoble, indolent, or cowardly Gallio temper, that “cares for none of these things.”

The general function, then, of the Vestry, as the laity's representative, in this National Church, should be to represent the best intelligence, most loyal Churchmanship, and most earnest piety of the Parish, in matters temporal and spiritual. Its especial functions are to act for the Parish in the safe-keeping and wise administration of the funds, income, and buildings of the Parish; in case of a vacancy in the Rectorship, to take counsel of the Bishop, and diligently seek for a Clergyman *adapted to the work and the wants of that parish*, with a view to his election to the Rectorship thereof; to take heed that the party electing, as well as the party elected, has perfect understanding of the canonical permanency and powers of Rectorship, and knows that the terms of “the call” make an abiding legal contract, to be stated in the call and entered of record; to arrange for the collection and payment, with honourable punctuality and conscientiousness, of all salaries mutually agreed upon, until formally and lawfully re-adjusted; to provide all things necessary and convenient for the use of the Church, in such times, ways, and offices as are agreeable to the fundamental law for Rector and people both, — the Book of Common Prayer; to encourage and strengthen the Rector, by attendance, commendation, and co-operation, in his efforts to make such full, fair, and attractive presentation of the Church in its beauty of holiness, as avoids alike occasion of offence to those without, and of distress to those within, so doing all things to edification; to second the Rector, in like manner, in all his well-planned methods of developing and increasing the spiritual, social, and physical welfare of his people, through friendly visiting, religious services, societies, Sunday schools, and the like, ever remembering their office as chosen helpers unto the kingdom of God; and showing that — as, according to the principles of the Church, the Rector is the head

and leader of the Christian work-fellows, not the sole worker — no mere distaste for his methods, or preference for other agencies, can justify inaction or opposition, provided all be done in accordance with the abiding covenant of all pastoral relationship, viz., ministration according to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of this Church.

What are the functions of the Rector in the administration of the Parish with his rights and authority, according to the principles of the Church, was determined in larger part before he reached Rectorship. For a Rector is only a commissioned shepherd of souls now set over a particular flock; and his essential duties and obligations come from his office, not from his sheep or the pasture. He is, as Rector over one Church, just what he has solemnly covenanted to be as a Minister of Christ everywhere and always. No one in a Parish would have thought of calling him to the Rectorship save for the facts, declarations, beliefs, promises, and covenants prior to and incident upon his ordination; and these are, unquestionably, the conditions precedent, the underlying obligations of all possible Rectorship in the American Church. If the called Minister forget them, he is ignoring the bond, and failing in his contract with his Parish; if the people willingly see them forgotten, hand is joining in hand, but both parties are overlooking their obligations to the Church of God, which is larger than their Parish.

The Rector, at the time of his call, was understood by himself and by all parishioners who read the Ordination and Institution Offices, and a few simple Canons of the Church, to be a devout man, called of God to his office, sufficiently learned for his work, under willing obligations as to belief and public ministrations, solemnly set apart to certain duties, and clothed with certain spiritual powers and rights, and with divine authority. No Vestry or Parish, by *calling* him, can exonerate him from his essential and covenant obligations and duties, or deprive him of his essential rights and authority; nor may a Minister exonerate himself because he is so called, unless he expects by becoming a Rector to cease being a Minister. He brought them to the Parish when he came, and will take them with him when he goes, whatever account he may have to render of their exercise. He is bounden to the Church of Christ to make full proof of his Ministry according to his covenant, and, to that one Parish in particular, to make that proof just there.

His functions in the control and administration of that Parish, according to the principles of the Church, are to frame and fashion the life of himself and family so as to be examples to the flock, and to be diligent in the study of the canonical Scriptures, — all of which he unfeignedly believes, — out of them instructing the people committed to his charge, and being diligent in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and the flesh. He is to instruct the youth, to look after the sick and the poor, and to maintain quietness, peace, and love among all Christian people, especially among those committed to his charge. Not only is he always so to minister the doctrine, sacraments, and discipline of Christ, as this Church hath received the same; not only to teach his people with all diligence to keep and observe the same: but he is to be equally diligent to drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word. He is to remember that duty, which is also a *right*, often as great a privilege to himself as it is a safeguard to his Parish, — the duty of honourable deference to the Bishop in things where he may lawfully counsel. All these

functions are to be discharged in the control and administration of one Parish in particular, because they are the essential and the covenanted functions of all Ministry in general; and this particular Priest is under solemn contract with the representatives of that particular Parish to give his Ministry to their Church. This is not intellectual or spiritual servility, but covenant-keeping honour and service. It is the law of contracts inspired with the gospel of love, devotion, and sacrifice. And when, under changed convictions, he can no longer live according to his covenant, a good conscience and the law of honour will lead him to make the sacrifice which every honest man has to make towards societies, brotherhoods, guilds, and churches, whose obedient officer or member he can no longer remain; viz., to go out by the door ever open to honest convictions and to courage sufficiently noble to act up to them.

And, further, the Rector has the right and authority to receive the financial, moral, and religious support, co-operation, and sustenance of the Parish and its Vestry in his efforts for the discharge of all these his covenanted functions. And he is authorized by the Church which commissioned him for his Ministry, to claim and enjoy all the accustomed temporalities appertaining to his cure; an amount which, in this land of infrequent endowments and too much *voluntariness*, needs to be defined more precisely than in England, but an amount which, having been defined in the original contract of Rectorship, is of binding legal obligation until legally altered. And, finally, all functions, rights, and authority in the administration of his Parish are to be exercised by the Rector as ever bearing in mind his diocesan as well as his parochial responsibility; even as the Bishop is taught to say to him in the Institution Office, "You continuing in communion with us, and complying with the rubrics and canons of the Church, and with such lawful directions as you shall at any time receive from us;" you "feeding that portion of the flock of Christ which is now intrusted to you, not as a man-pleaser, but as continually bearing in mind that you are accountable to the Ecclesiastical Authority here, and to the Chief Bishop and Sovereign Judge of all hereafter."

And the Rector, according to the principles of the Church,—alas for its practice!—is to be a permanent shepherd of the flock; it being presumed that only "urgent reasons occasion a wish in him, or in the congregation committed to his charge, to bring about a separation and dissolution of all sacerdotal connection between him and them; of all which he will give the Bishop due notice" before either party proceed to action, if he heed Church principles. While, if he obey Church-law, he cannot resign his cure if he have not consent of the Parish or Vestry; nor can he be removed therefrom against his consent, without appeal to the godly judgment of the Bishop.

After this required expression of opinion concerning "the functions of Rectors, and of Wardens and Vestrymen, in the control and administration of Parishes," and "the rights and authority of each in the premises, according to the principles and laws of the Church," it only remains to report "what, in our opinion, is the best method of making those principles and laws of effect." Before doing this we beg leave to quote, and make our own, a conclusion of the Joint Committee in their Report to the last Convention. They say, —

"The more the Committee consider this subject, the more convinced they are of the wide and deep dissatisfaction as to the present relations between Rectors and Vestries; and the more convinced, also, that by no



legislation possible for us can these evils be at once and altogether removed. They have roots which no Canon law can eradicate, and go down to the inherent evil of human nature which no legislation can change: only by patient efforts and slow processes can the desired result be reached. By the creation of a more Churchly and Scriptural idea of the nature and functions of the sacred Ministry; by the better understanding of the place and position of the Laity as adjuncts in Parish-work; by gradual changes in State and Diocesan legislation, so as to bring the laws and the Canons into harmony with the true principles and functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestries; by patient dealing with existing evils, and cautiously removing obstacles to peace; by forming a healthful and enlightened public sentiment, that shall reflect Christian forbearance and toleration of minor differences as to doctrine and worship on the one hand, and stimulate Christian love and zeal, putting forth new agencies and activities on the other,—by these and kindred lines of action and forbearance, much, towards quieting the unrest and soothing the irritation which exists in so many of the Parishes of the Church, may be done toward remedying evils which we may not at once be able fully to remove.”

But, in our opinion, it is none the less the duty of this Convention to address itself frankly, fearlessly, and earnestly, to the remedying of existing deficiencies, the providing of better methods, and the embodying of sounder principles in the Church's legislation affecting the functions, rights, and authority of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen. We believe that much may be done without intruding on the rights, real or supposed, of existing Parishes, or conflicting with State or Diocesan laws. We therefore propose the amendments to the Digest named below, in which the principles above stated and our existing laws are formulated into Canons.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK.

#### PROPOSED CANON, TO BE NUMBERED TITLE III., CANON 6: OF PARISH VESTRIES.

§ i. In every Parish of this Church there shall be an annual election of Church-Wardens and Vestrymen, whose number, mode of election, with the qualifications of voters, shall be such as the State, Diocesan, or Parish law may require; and the persons elected shall be known as the Vestry of the Parish. If not in conflict with said law, the Rector may choose one of the Wardens; and such choice, communicated in writing at the annual meeting, shall constitute that Warden's election. One Warden, and not less than three-fifths of the Vestrymen, shall be Communicants of the Church, and a like number shall be residents of the Parish. The Rector, unless it conflict with law as above, may take part in all meetings of the Vestry, and, when present, shall preside in the same, and have one vote.

§ ii. It is the office of the Vestry to represent the Parishioners both in their relations to the Rector, and in their care and zeal for the temporal and spiritual interests of the Parish. It is the duty of the Vestry to do all in its power to protect and preserve the Parish property against uncertainty of title, loss of rights, peril of debt and mortgages, deterioration of the fabric, misuse of trusts and funds, and the like; to make the ne-

cessary provision for, and to encourage and sustain the Rector in the administration of, the worship, ordinances, and sacraments of the Church according to the Book of Common Prayer; to assist him as far as possible, both by means and personal co-operation, in his agencies and methods for the maintenance of piety and good works; to aid in persuading parishioners and others to resort to the Church on Sundays and other occasions of public worship, and to see that all comers are met with a Christian welcome; to arrange for the honourable payment, without delay or default, of all stipends, and of the Rector's salary as stipulated at the time of his election, in terms which, unless legally altered, constitute a contract of full legal and moral obligation, binding on both parties. The Vestry is also to forward, in all practicable ways, the spiritual interests of the Parish, as becometh Christian men holding sacred trusts, and so far as consistent with the headship of the Rector in all things spiritual; he having unrestricted use of the Church buildings for lawful Church Services, Parochial societies, and agencies, as well as control over its sacred music, its worship, its Sunday schools, and all matters spiritual; bounden, indeed, to his Parish for his fulfilment of the covenanted duties, pledges, and trusts of the Pastoral office, as they are set forth by the Church in her Offices and Canons; but chiefly and finally amenable, for alleged irregularity in teaching, ministration, or life, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

§ iii. [1.] Whenever a Parish shall fall vacant, it shall be the duty of the Wardens without delay to notify the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the fact and date of such vacancy. It shall also be the duty of said Wardens, prior to any election, to notify the Bishop of the names proposed for the vacant office; and it shall be unlawful for the Parish or Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification, and of his accompanying suggestions, if there be any; provided that he be at the time within the territory of the United States; and, also, that this reply be not delayed longer than fourteen days after the receipt of said notification.

[2.] In the event of the election of a Rector, Minister, or Assistant Minister, it shall be the duty of the Wardens at once to give notice of the fact to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following form, signed by those who certify:—

"We, the Church-Wardens [*or, in case of an Assistant Minister, We, the Rector and Church-Wardens*], do certify to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese [*or Jurisdiction*] of . . . . . that the Rev. . . . . has been duly chosen Rector [*or Minister, or Assistant Minister with the Rector's approval, as the case may be*] of [*naming the Parish*]."

And if the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, and accepts the office, he shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose; and such record shall be legal evidence of the certified relationship between the Minister and the Parish.

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 14, be amended as follows:—

§ i. to be hereby repealed.

§ ii. to become § i., [1.] reading as follows:—



§ i. [1.] No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Jurisdiction to another, shall officiate as the Rector, Minister-in-charge, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:—

“I hereby certify that the Rev. ——— has been canonically transferred to the Diocese [or Jurisdiction] of ———, and is a Minister in regular standing.”

Insert a new [2.] as follows:—

[2.] If a Presbyter be duly elected Rector of a Parish, the Ecclesiastical Authority may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted. But the office of Institution may not be so used if the Parish be destitute of a house of worship.

Insert a new § ii., as follows:—

§ ii. The Rector or Minister in charge of a Parish shall have contról of all matters spiritual in the Parish, subject only to his covenant of allegiance to the Prayer Book, the Canons, and the godly counsel of the Bishop. He shall give order concerning the worship of the Church, together with all that appertains thereto. He shall be at all times entitled to access to the Church, for administration of the Services and Sacraments and Ordinances of the Church, for catechetical or other religious instruction, and for such other offices and functions as of right belong to a Minister of this Church.

## APPENDIX XI.—1.

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### MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

*To the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the General Convention.*

THE undersigned, your memorialists, respectfully represent that the Convention of the Diocese of Illinois, at its session held in the month of May last past, adopted a resolution as follows:—

“*Resolved*, That the General Convention be and is hereby requested to grant its consent to the change of the name of the ‘Diocese of Illinois’ to that of the ‘Diocese of Chicago;’ and that the Bishop of Illinois and the Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention are hereby requested to memorialize that Body accordingly.”

Your memorialists therefore pray your Body to grant the desired request; and they will ever pray, etc.

(Dated) PHILADELPHIA, October 5, A.D. 1883.

W. E. McLAREN,

*Bishop of Illinois.*

CLINTON LOCKE,

WM. H. VIBBERT,

R. F. SWEET,

J. H. KNOWLES,

*Clerical Deputies from the*

*Diocese of Illinois.*

S. CORNING JUDD,

W. M. TILDEN,

M. W. FULLER,

FREDERICK STAHL,

*Lay Deputies from the*

*Diocese of Illinois.*

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## APPENDIX XI.—II.

### MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR THE DIVISION OF THAT DIOCESE.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled in the city of Philadelphia in the month of October of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.*

THE undersigned, Deputies to your body from the Diocese of North Carolina, respectfully represent that they have been instructed by the

Convention of their Diocese to ask the consent of this General Convention to the erection, within the limits of the present Diocese of North Carolina, of a new Diocese to consist of all the territory lying east of the following boundary-line: viz., "Beginning on the southern line of the State of Virginia, at the north-east corner of Northampton County in the State of North Carolina, and following the eastern line of the said county and of the counties of Halifax, Edgecombe, Wilson, and Johnston, thence by the southern line of Harnett and the western line of Cumberland and Robeson to the northern line of the State of South Carolina," consisting in all of *thirty-two* counties.

In support of their petition they present the following facts:—

1. The Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, held at Tarboro, in May, 1882, by a vote (taken by orders) of forty-one to nine of the Clergy, and of twenty-two to nine of the Parishes (two Parishes being divided) resolved:—

"That the welfare of the Church in North Carolina demands a division of the Diocese."

Final action upon the question, however, was postponed to the next Annual Convention, viz., that of 1883.

2. The Diocesan Convention of 1883, held at Charlotte, May 23-26, by a vote (taken by orders, on the twenty-fifth day of May) of forty-two to eleven of the Clergy, and of twenty-nine to ten of the Parishes (one Parish being divided) ratified the resolution in favour of division, adopted in 1882.

3. On Saturday, May 26, 1883, the Convention unanimously adopted, as the line of division, that which has been already set forth in this petition.

4. A communication was made to the Convention on Saturday, May 26, 1883, by the Right Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, giving his "consent to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of his present jurisdiction," "with the metes and bounds which had that day been agreed upon," and which were those hereinbefore specified.

5. Your petitioners submit that by the proposed line of division the other requirements of Article 5 of the Constitution of this Church are met; there being secured,—

(1), Reasonable assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in each of the proposed Dioceses, and

(2) Neither of them being reduced by such division below the limits assigned in paragraph third of the said fifth article of the Constitution.

In proof whereof, your petitioners submit the following additional facts:—

(1) For more than seven years,—from December, 1873, to January, 1881,—the Diocese of North Carolina did actually support two Bishops.

(2) The proposed line of division will give to the new Diocese, and leave in the old one:—

	Counties.	Population.	Parishes.	Organized Missions.	Clergy.	Communicants.
The new Diocese . . .	32	421,212	38	7	26	2,631
The old Diocese . . .	64	978,538	46	23	54	3,058

(3 a) By a resolution adopted at the last Diocesan Convention, the present *Permanent Episcopal Fund*, yielding at this time more than \$2,500 per annum, is, in the event of the division of the Diocese, to be equally divided between the two portions ; thus securing to each \$1,250 and more.

(3 b) The *assessments* for the support of the Bishop and the contingent expenses of the Diocese, actually paid in 1882-83, amounted to:—

In the limits of the proposed new Diocese . . . . .	\$2,177 06
" " " " " old " . . . . .	2,056 52
(3 c) Thus making the prospective incomes, —	
Of the new Diocese . . . . .	\$3,427 06
" " old " . . . . .	3,306 52
	\$6,733 58

Recognizing the fact that in some respects the expenses of each part of the divided Diocese would be more than half those of the whole undivided Diocese, your petitioners are yet of opinion that the combined expenses of both, on the scale thus far observed, need not exceed the sum of \$7,000 to \$7,100, or not more than \$300 to \$400 beyond the income of the past year, — a deficit which they are persuaded can easily be made up, especially under the stimulus which they believe division would supply.

Your petitioners append the certificates of the Secretary of the Diocesan Convention relating to, —

- (1) The vote for division.
- (2) The boundary-line adopted.
- (3) The consent of the Bishop.

ALFRED A. WATSON,	} Clerical Deputies.
N. COLLIN HUGHES,	
J. C. HUSKE,	
M. M. MARSHALL,	
A. J. DE ROSSET,	} Lay Deputies.
JNO. HUGHES,	
JOHN S. HENDERSON,	
JOHN WILDER ATKINSON,	

*Resolved*, That the welfare of the Church in North Carolina demands a division of the Diocese.

The above resolution was passed on Friday, May 25, 1883, by the following vote:—

Clergy, — for division, 42; against division, 11.

Parishes, — for division, 29; against division, 10; divided, 1.

EDW. R. RICH, *Secretary, Diocese of North Carolina.*

RALEIGH, Sept. 28, 1883.

The Committee appointed to report a line of division between the proposed two Dioceses, after considering the several lines, and after a Conference with the Bishop, present and recommend the following line:—

Beginning on the Virginia line, at the north-east corner of Northampton, and following the east line of the said county, and of the counties of Halifax, Edgecombe, Wilson, and Johnston, thence the south line of Har-

nett and the west line of Cumberland and Robeson, to the line of the State of South Carolina. And your Committee propose the following resolution:—

*Resolved.* That, the General Convention assenting, a new Diocese be formed out of the present Diocese of North Carolina, consisting of the counties of Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Green, Wayne, Sampson, Cumberland, and Robeson, and of all the counties lying between these counties and the Atlantic Ocean.

(Signed)

D. H. BUEL, *for the Committee.*

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Report and resolution as offered by Rev. Dr. Buel, and adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina at Charlotte, N.C., on Saturday, May 26, 1883. (See Journal 1883, pp. 30 and 31.)

EDW. R. RICH, *Secretary.*

RALEIGH, July 30, 1883.

*To the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina.*

DEAR BRETHREN, — I hereby give my canonical consent to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of my present jurisdiction, and with such metes and bounds as have this day been agreed upon.

(Signed)

T. B. LYMAN, *Bishop of North Carolina.*

CHARLOTTE, N.C., May 26, 1883.

The above is a *true copy* of the letter conveying to the Diocesan Convention, the Bishop's "canonical consent" to the division of the Diocese.

EDW. R. RICH, *Secretary, Diocese of North Carolina.*

RALEIGH, N.C., September 28, 1883.

## APPENDIX XI.—III.

### MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE FOR THE DIVISION OF THAT DIOCESE.

*To the Clerical and Lay Deputies from the Diocese of Tennessee to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

ACCORDING to the instructions of our recent Diocesan Convention, we, the Committee appointed by the Bishop of the Diocese, under resolution of the Convention, respectfully present to you the following report touching the division of the Diocese of Tennessee, and to be laid before the General Convention in connection with the request for the consent of that Body to the proposed division.

The *line* of division is marked out by the Tennessee River, in that portion of its course where it flows from south to north through the State of Tennessee.

All that portion of the State lying to the east of said river, and comprising what is commonly known as Middle and East Tennessee, to constitute the old Diocese; and all that portion lying to the west of said river, between the same and the Mississippi River, commonly called West Tennessee, to constitute the new Diocese.

The consent of the Bishop of the Diocese was publicly and heartily given in the Diocesan Convention held at Clarksville in May last, coupled with the request on his part that this voluntary declaration of his consent be entered upon the Journal. (*Vide Journal 1883, p. 68.*)

The Convention of the Diocese gave its consent to said division by the following vote: Clerical: ayes 19, noes 3; Lay, ayes 19, noes 7. (*Vide Journal, p. 70.*)

In the entire State of Tennessee, there is a territory of 45,600 square miles, and a population of 1,542,463. About *one-fourth* of the territory, and a little *more than one-fourth* of the population, belong to that portion of the State lying between the Mississippi and Tennessee Rivers, and commonly called, as before stated, West Tennessee. (*Vide list of counties, etc., of the State, hereby filed, and marked Exhibit A.*) The remaining *three-fourths*, of course, belong to Middle and East Tennessee. A committee was appointed at our Diocesan Convention (to collect information) for each of these two portions. The committee for Middle and East Tennessee, at the first meeting in Nashville, decided that it would be necessary to raise the amount of thirty-four hundred dollars annually for this portion, which would constitute the old Diocese, and that it ought to be secured for at least *three* years. This amount has been provided for, from three sources: 1st, present assessment; 2d, voluntary increase by Parishes and Missions; 3d, by individual subscriptions (by note), payable to the treasurer annually, for three years.

It was determined by the Committee for West Tennessee, that a salary of two thousand dollars, in addition to the Episcopal residence provided at a cost of twenty thousand dollars, should be secured for three years; and this has been done by individual notes, or rather a note of many individuals, to pay whatever deficit there may be, upon notification by the treasurer to that effect.

Of the twenty counties in West Tennessee, nine contain no Parish nor Mission of the Church at all; and, of the rest of the State, at least fifty-seven counties are in the same condition. And yet, in very many of these are members of the Church scattered here and there, who should at least have occasional ministrations. Indeed, it is the duty of this Church to lift up her voice in every town and principal neighbourhood of this vast territory.

The Bishop, as an Apostle, is of course the chief Missionary, and must take the lead in visiting all parts of his jurisdiction. But, under the present conditions, how can he do it? Were he to give *one week* to each county, in the hope of becoming thoroughly acquainted with his entire field of labour, it would require about *two years* to make the one visitation of the Diocese as now constituted.

To be a power in his Diocese, the Bishop's influence should be felt from centre to circumference. Therefore its limits should be such as that he may become acquainted with every part of it.

Believing that the wisdom of having smaller Dioceses has been fully demonstrated, and that we are as well prepared to divide as some others



were who have preceded us, we confidently expect that the General Convention will ratify the action of our recent Diocesan Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

W. C. GRAY, *Chairman of Committee.*

HOUSE OF BISHOPS, PHILADELPHIA, PENN.,

October 4, 1883.

I hereby give my consent to the division of the Diocese of Tennessee.

(Signed)

CHARLES TODD QUINTARD,  
*Bishop of Tennessee.*

#### APPENDIX XI.—4.

##### MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, IN RE COUNTY OF MANITOU.

*Memorial of the Diocese of Western Michigan to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in session at Philadelphia, October 3, A.D. 1883.*

WHEREAS, In the Convention of the Diocese of Michigan, A.D. 1874, which took action for the division of the Diocese, the county of Manitou, composed of islands lying off the west coast of the lower peninsula of Michigan, was inadvertently omitted in the enumeration of counties then set off for the new Diocese; and

WHEREAS, The Convention of the Diocese of Michigan, A.D. 1881, authorized the transfer of the said county of Manitou to the Diocese of Western Michigan; and

WHEREAS, also, The Bishop of Michigan did, on the twenty-fourth day of April, A.D. 1883, consent to the transfer of the same:

Therefore, the Diocese of Western Michigan, by its Deputation in General Convention duly instructed by the last Diocesan Convention to make such application, hereby respectfully requests this General Convention to give its consent to the transfer of the said county of Manitou from the Jurisdiction of the Diocese of Michigan to that of Western Michigan.

In behalf of the Clerical and Lay Deputies from the Diocese of Western Michigan.

JOSEPH W. BANCROFT,

*Deputy, and Secretary of the Convention of Western Michigan.*

#### APPENDIX XI.—5.

##### MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF INDIANA FOR THE REVIVAL OF THE WORK OF EVANGELISTS.

THE Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Indiana pray the General Convention to revive the work of Evangelists, and to authorize their

employment for the Church in America. This petition rests upon most certain warrants of Holy Scripture, and the testimony of the Primitive Church. From the beginning, the work of Evangelists has been an efficient instrumentality of the Church's progress. This work has been an important aggressive force in her missionary enterprises.

Christ's thought is, that his Apostles and every succeeding Bishop should "do the work of an Evangelist." The first Eucharist in America was celebrated A.D. 1607. Bishop Seabury was consecrated in 1787. Almost no aggressive work was done, even after that, till 1835. Since then our Bishops, and especially our Missionary Bishops, in proportion as they have done this work, have counteracted the blighting effect of England's almost fatal delay in giving us the Episcopate; yet their time has been largely taken up in visitations to the handfuls of Church people scattered over their vast territories. They cannot stay in new places, and capture them for the Church, like St. Paul. There has been, and there is now, a special need of this special work in this new country. It may be done by either Order of the Ministry. Our Bishops and our Priests have their hearts and hands already too full to do this work. Practically we have no Deacons: certainly we have none like "Philip the Evangelist." We have been trying to do the work of the Church in America without all the apostolic workmen ordered by Christ; for "He gave *some* Evangelists for the work of the Ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." We have not won this field, because we have not used all the arms the Great Captain ordered for his army. A few zealous men have undertaken this work; but the Church has never recognized the work, nor authorized the men. Personalities and individualisms have marred the work, and Bishops and Rectors have discouraged it as ephemeral and sectarian. It has been, notwithstanding, an earnest effort to stimulate. The Church, too, needed aggressive work and restoration of a neglected primitive and apostolic agency. As early as 1856, the facts upon which this Memorial rests were admitted by the Bishops of this Church. They then declared: "Evangelists are almost indispensable to the complete (apostolic) organization of the Church, and unquestionably necessary to its extension." In 1859 a resolution was introduced on the subject of lay work, pressing forward the same thoughts. The report upon this resolution was made in 1862. In 1865 the House of Bishops refused to concur in a memorial then presented on the Evangelist system, for the reason that they did not "consider it expedient to entertain the subject" at that time. The memorial presented by Dr. Randall (afterwards Bishop) was referred to a Joint Committee to report at the next Convention.

In 1868 the Bishops reported. They expressed earnest sympathy with efforts to seek and to save, and re-affirmed their language of 1856. They added that such efforts required "no express sanction," and that they "were not ready to recommend any specific measures." The memorial was signed by some of the foremost men in the Church, and the Bishops commended the memorial.

In 1871 the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies reported upon the memorial from Iowa, praying for definite action. The Committee on the State of the Church, having charge of the matter, said that the memorial expressed the want and feeling of a large part of the Church. Evangelists, itinerants, pioneers, — some men to reach the masses, — must be found. The Committee urged the Bishops to send out such men. The

Board of Missions was asked to inquire into the expediency of employing Evangelists. A report in the House of Bishops expressed their approval of these recommendations. They were convinced that such men ought to be trained and employed. They suggested that the Board of Missions should employ a special agent to test the work. The report was laid on the table, to come up in 1874. In that Convention the subject was not mentioned by either House. Individualism again prevailed, and the "Evangelization Society" was organized. Not having the indorsement of the Church, this society only lived through its first anniversary. In 1877, when the Convention assembled in Boston, a resolution was introduced, instructing the Board of Missions to employ Evangelists. The subject had then been before the Church for twenty-one years. Both Houses of the General Convention had reported favourably. Church Congresses in England and America had discussed the subject with enthusiasm. Books, pamphlets, and Church newspapers had spread the facts before all men. The Mother Church, with all her conservatism, had led in the practical working-out of the question. The great London Missions were held, and three strong societies were organized for the training and employment of Evangelists. The resolution offered in Boston was referred to a standing committee of the lower House, and never heard of again. The Convention of 1880 passed without action upon the matter. Now, in 1883, the Church in Indiana prays the Church, through the General Convention, to revive the work of Evangelists, and authorize their employment. We beg leave to submit that:—

*First,* The Board of Managers of our Missionary work be instructed to employ at once one or two well-qualified men to do the work of Evangelists; these men to hold parochial missions where they may be desired, or series of aggressive services in new places, under the directions of the Ecclesiastical Authority. They should be amply supplied with Prayer-books and the best Church tracts. They should be paid well, from the general funds, and the offerings received at their services sent to the general treasury.

*Second,* The Trustees of the General Seminary be instructed to provide a course of special instruction, and particularly in the art of elocution, to be given at the Seminary, to those students or clergymen, who, by the advice and recommendation of the Bishops, purpose doing the work of Evangelists.

We pray the time may soon come when our Bishops shall have their Deacons and their Evangelists in every Diocese. This will help to solve the question of how we shall reach the masses, — by employing the Divinely appointed agency, and going out to them. So shall the Church be true to her apostolic organization, and go forth mightily to win this land and nation for Christ and His Church.

## APPENDIX XI.—6.

## MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COURT OF APPEAL.

PHILADELPHIA, October 3, 1888.

*To the Right Reverend Fathers, Reverend Fathers, and Brethren, Members of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Council assembled.*

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last (the eleventh annual) Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, which reads as follows:—

“*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed, to consist of the Rev. J. J. Vaulx, to prepare a memorial to the General Convention, urging that body to pass a General Canon for the trial of Ministers, and to establish a court of appeals from the Diocesan courts,”—

I therefore appeal to your venerable Body to pass a Canon agreeable to the spirit of said resolution.

The necessity of such legislative action may be seen if we consider how great scandal has been brought on the Church by appeals being made to the civil courts where injustice was thought to have been done to Clergymen by Diocesan courts. Had there been a court of appeals, this might have been avoided. It is obvious, that, so long as we have no court of appeals, the civil courts will lean towards the Clergyman who has been tried.

The Civil Government does every thing in her power to see that her citizens have justice meted to them. She permits appeals to higher courts where there is a doubt of a just judgment having been given in the lower court. She even permits a change of venue where an unbiased jury is not likely to be obtained.

The Clergy, it is to be feared, are not less swayed by prejudice than others; the grace of Orders does not save us from human infirmities. The danger of local prejudice renders it necessary that cases be taken from a Diocesan court to a higher one. Surely, the State should not be more jealous of the rights of the citizen than the Church of God of the rights and character of her Priests. For the passage of such a Canon, and the establishment of such a court of appeals, your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

JAMES J. VAULX,  
*Priest of the Diocese of Arkansas.*

## APPENDIX XI.—7.

## MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE GRADUATED REPRESENTATION OF DIOCESES IN THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

At the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, held May 10, 1883, the following was adopted, viz.:—

1. *Resolved*, That the subjoined Memorial from this Convention be presented to the next General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

## MEMORIAL.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, having in view the proceedings of the last General Convention, has been led to suppose that some proposition for a change in the Diocesan representation in the House of Deputies may come before your Body this present year.

This Convention, therefore, takes leave respectfully to represent that it is required by the simple principles of natural equity, by conformity to primitive Ecclesiastical usages, by the proper idea of a representative legislative body, and by the analogy of the civil government of all our American States and of the United States, that the several Dioceses in the Church should have a representation in the House of Deputies, or the lower House of the General Convention, proportional in some approximate and reasonable degree to the number of these Clergy or of their communicants, or of both respectively.

This Convention expresses no opinion as to the general question of the present necessity, on other grounds of making a constitutional change in the representation of the Dioceses in the General Convention. But if, for any reasons, such constitutional change is to be made, this Convention earnestly represents that the opportunity should then be taken to put the Diocesan representation in the House of Deputies, once for all, upon an equitable and proportional basis, so that that House shall be a body fairly representative of the Clergy and Laity of all parts of the Church.

This Convention asks for no ideally perfect or numerically exact proportion in the Diocesan representation; but only for such reasonable approximation to a proportional ratio as may be made by some simple, feasible, and easily adjusted method.

Neither does this Convention enter into the statement of any definitive plan or into any extended argument upon the subject; but cheerfully leaves the reasonableness and propriety, together with all the details of such a reformed representation as is here proposed, to the wisdom and judgment of the General Convention.

2. *Resolved*, That the foregoing Memorial, duly attested by the Secretary of this Convention, be transmitted to the next General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, which is to meet in Philadelphia on the first Wednesday of October next, by the hand of our Deputies, to the said General Convention.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the Proceedings of the Ninety-ninth Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

JNO. A. CHILDS, *Secretary*.



## APPENDIX XI.—8.

## MEMORIAL OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI ON THE SUBJECT OF MARRIAGE.

PHILADELPHIA, October 4, 1883.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

This Memorial respectfully sheweth:—

That questions of pastoral duty and of godly discipline actually occurring in the work of the Church, in the Diocese of Missouri, led to the appointment, by our Diocesan Convention, in 1882, of a committee to consider the whole subject of marriage, and of the discipline of divorced persons who had engaged in second marriages.

In the last Convention of our Diocese, the committee, through the Bishop as chairman, made a report upon the whole subject; and, by a unanimous resolution, the undersigned were instructed to present a memorial to the General Convention, asking its attention to the grave matters which our Diocese had been forced to consider.

In obeying our instructions, it has seemed to us to be advisable to submit to the General Convention the report to which we have referred.

We ask that it be considered as a part of this memorial, and that the memorial, together with the appended report, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

JOHN FULTON.  
JAMES RUNCIE.  
P. G. ROBERT.  
WESTERN BASCOM.  
JNO. R. TRIPLETT.  
E. H. LYCETT.  
ETHELBERT TALBOT.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MARRIAGE, TO THE FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

This Committee was raised in pursuance of the following resolution (Journal of 1882, p. 13):—

“*Resolved*, That the portion of the Bishop's Address which refers to marriage be referred to a committee, of which the Bishop shall be chairman, to consider and report to the next Convention whether this Diocese ought not to memorialize the General Convention to legislate further on this subject, and to suggest such further action for the Diocesan Convention as the committee may deem desirable.”

In accordance with the terms of the resolution under which they were appointed, the committee beg respectfully to report as follows:—

At the last General Convention a majority and a minority report were presented from a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of marriage with relatives. These reports were ordered to be printed in the



Appendix to the Journal, and the whole matter was referred to the next General Convention.

1. Your Committee cannot but believe it to be the right of the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to demand that the General Convention shall clearly and unequivocally settle the questions which are thus in due course to be brought before it concerning this important matter. So far as the express law of our particular Church is concerned, the impediments to marriage remain to this day wholly undefined. There are some, indeed, who maintain that the Table of Prohibited Degrees of the Church of England is now, and always has been, the law of the Protestant Episcopal Church; others declare that it has no force or validity whatever in this Church, and that any marriage which is not prohibited by the express words of Holy Scripture may be lawfully contracted, whether the English Table forbids it or not. This grave difference of opinion has never been settled by competent authority. It is true, that, in 1808, the House of Bishops, then actually consisting of two members only, declared their opinion that the English Table is of force in this Church; and some have contended that the opinion, so given and recorded, was a final settlement of the matter. On the other hand, it has been objected that the opinions of the House of Bishops, however venerable, can have no force of legislation unless they are put into the form of Canons and approved by the House of Deputies; and, furthermore, that no opinions, and, *a fortiori*, that no *obiter dicta* of that Right Reverend House, can have any judicial force in ascertaining what the law of the Church is, unless the House of Bishops were sitting as a court of judges in accordance with some Canon of the Church. The General Convention, though frequently memorialized upon the subject, has hitherto had so much discretion, or so little courage, that it has never, to this day, declared in plain terms what marriages the Church permits. Hence, certain marriages which one Presbyter or Bishop declares to be unlawful are openly celebrated by another Presbyter or Bishop to the great disturbance of men's minds. This condition of things we hold to be unworthy of the Church, and we think that this Convention might well petition the General Convention to determine speedily and unequivocally all questions concerning the marriage of relatives.

2. The older Canon Law recognized a distinction between the impediments to marriage, of which we have altogether lost sight. *Dirimant* impediments were such as to invalidate the marriage *ab initio*, so that the union of the parties, by whomsoever celebrated, was a crime and not a true marriage. *Prohibitive* impediments were such as to lead the Church to discourage, or even to forbid, marriage in cases where they existed, though they might not be of sufficient gravity to invalidate the marriage if it were actually contracted. The subject thus opened is too wide to be discussed by your Committee; but we suggest that a recognition of some distinction between the impediments of marriage might possibly facilitate the settlement of some very grave matters connected with the marriage of relatives, and the discipline of divorced persons who have married again.

3. The discipline of unlawfully divorced persons who have married again, as it is laid down in Title II., Canon 13, Section iii., of the Digest, seems to us to require some authoritative explanation. The Minister is forbidden to "refuse the Sacraments to a *penitent* person in imminent danger of death." The meaning of the word "*penitent*" in this connection ought to be clearly defined, and practical cases of great perplexity have actually occurred in this Diocese for want of such a

definition. We think the legislature of the Church ought to declare whether "penitence" in the case contemplated does or does not demand a pledge that, in case of recovery, the penitent will withdraw from the marriage which has been unlawfully contracted.

4. Our Clergy, being recognized by the Civil Authority as officers competent to solemnize marriages under the laws of the State, are often required to officiate at the nuptials of persons who are not members of the Church, nor even baptized persons at all, but of whom one or both is sometimes a disbeliever of the Christian faith. It is evident that the nuptial union of such persons must be recognized, and ought to be solemnly declared; but it is equally clear to our minds that the language of our Office for the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony, framed as it is for the exclusive use of Christian people, cannot be used by infidels or non-Christians without levity, insincerity, and sometimes profanity. It seems to us, that, if our Clergy are to celebrate such marriages, they ought either to be provided with a more suitable form for that purpose, or be permitted to use such adaptations of the present form as occasion may require.

5. It is well known that some divorced persons applying to be married again under circumstances in which our Canon forbids their marriage make no scruple of denying their former marriage, or of declaring that divorce was obtained for adequate cause, or of affirming that the former partner is dead. A Clergyman thus deceived is liable to offend against the Canon without having the power to justify himself in case of subsequent presentment. Indeed, the parties by whom he has been deceived may become witnesses against him by denying that they ever made to him the false statements by which he was induced to marry them. In our opinion, the Canons of the Church ought to prescribe a form of solemn declaration or asseveration to be subscribed to by all persons desiring to be married by a Clergyman of our Church, such solemn declaration to contain a sufficiently detailed statement that the marriage in question is not, in any particular, contrary to the law of God as set forth in the Canons of the Church. All such declarations, we think, ought to be preserved in permanent form for the vindication of the Church itself, and as a defence for the officiating Minister in case he be accused of celebrating an unlawful marriage. Several other matters of great importance we abstain from mentioning; but, in view of the foregoing observations alone, we think that the whole subject of marriage, and not merely the marriage of relatives, ought to be brought before the General Convention. We therefore submit the following resolutions for the action of this body:—

*Resolved*, That five hundred copies of this Report be printed separately from the Journal; that the Secretary send a copy to every member of the House of Bishops; and that the senior member of the Clerical Deputation of this Diocese to the General Convention present a copy of the same to every member of the House of Deputies.

*Resolved, further*, That the Deputation of this Convention to the General Convention be, and are hereby, instructed to memorialize the General Convention on the matter named in this Report, using such form or style of memorial as they shall deem best for the occasion.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

C. F. ROBERTSON.  
JOHN FULTON.  
W. W. SILVESTER.  
JOHN WICKHAM.

## APPENDIX XI.—9.

AN ACCOUNT OF A CONFERENCE HELD AT SEWANEE, TENN.,  
JULY 25 TO 28, 1883, ON THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH  
TO THE COLOURED PEOPLE.

ON the second day of April, 1883, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Mississippi addressed the following communication to all the Bishops of the Southern States:—

RIGHT REV. BISHOP OF ———.

*My Dear Brother,*—Among the many subjects that may justly claim the consideration of our approaching General Convention will, doubtless, be that of the relations of our Church to the late slave population of our States, and the best means that can be adopted for their religious benefit.

As this subject seems to be awakening the serious attention of both the patriot and the Christian, North as well as South, it has been suggested to me, by several of our Bishops, that it would be well if all the Bishops of the late Slave States would meet in council, and, after due consultation, agree upon some plan to be laid before our General Convention for the accomplishment of that purpose.

In accordance, therefore, with that wise and timely suggestion, I hereby invite and urge your attendance at the University of the South on the last Thursday in July (being the week preceding the Commencement), for the purpose of conferring with your brother Bishops on a matter of such vital importance to the welfare of our country and the salvation of a race perishing in the midst of us for the want of right instruction.

Let me hope that nothing may prevent you from being present; and that you will bring with you some one of your Clergy who, either from much experience in instructing the negro, or from a becoming interest in his behalf, may be qualified to aid us by his counsel.

Affectionately your brother in Christ,

W. M. GREEN, *Bishop of Mississippi.*

On the 28th of May following, the Bishop of Mississippi addressed a further note to his brethren of the Episcopate in the Southern States, asking them to bring with them each one Layman, in addition to the Clergymen as above proposed.

In response to the invitation thus given, the following Bishops, Presbyters, and Laymen assembled at Sewanee, Tenn., on the 25th of July, 1883, viz.: the Right Rev. the Bishop of Mississippi, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Texas, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Alabama, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Tennessee, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Florida, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Missouri, the Right Rev. the Bishop of South Carolina, the Right Rev. the Bishop of North Carolina, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Western Texas, the Right Rev. the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, the Right Rev. the Bishop of West Virginia, the Right Rev.

the Assistant Bishop of Mississippi, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Africa; the Rev. T. G. Dashiell, D.D., Virginia; the Rev. Pike Powers, D.D., Virginia; the Rev. William C. Williams, D.D., Georgia; the Rev. Charles M. Beckwith, Georgia; the Rev. P. G. Robert, Missouri; the Rev. A. Toomer Porter, D.D., South Carolina; the Rev. T. A. Tidball, D.D., Kentucky; the Rev. H. H. Sneed, Tennessee; the Rev. William C. Gray, D.D., Tennessee; the Rev. H. R. Howard, S.T.D., Tennessee; the Rev. William K. Douglas, S.T.D., Louisiana; the Rev. George C. Harris, D.D., Mississippi; the Rev. M. M. Moore, Mississippi; the Rev. T. B. Lawson, D.D., Northern Texas; the Rev. Jos. L. Tucker, D.D., Alabama; the Rev. James Saul, D.D., Pennsylvania; the Rev. F. A. Shoup, D.D., Western Texas; the Rev. Edward Wickens, Texas; Mr. A. J. Campbell, Kentucky; Mr. L. N. Whittle, Georgia; Mr. E. O. Hurd, Alabama; Mr. A. T. McNeal, Tennessee; Mr. Jacob Thompson, Tennessee; Mr. G. R. Fairbanks, Florida; Mr. B. G. White, Florida; Mr. Vardry McBee, North Carolina; Mr. C. R. Miles, South Carolina; Mr. E. D. Farrar, Mississippi; Mr. R. H. Footman, Georgia.

The Conference was called to order by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Mississippi, and the Rev. Dr. F. A. Shoup was elected Secretary.

It was agreed that the several Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions should be called in order; and that one member from each should be heard on the general subject, with the liberty of presenting whatever propositions and suggestions might be deemed important. The whole subject was in this way fully laid before the Conference. On the second day, the subject was open to any member of the Conference who wished to speak; and when all had been heard, a committee consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, was appointed, which committee was instructed to consider all the propositions and suggestions presented, and report a plan for the action of the Conference.

This committee was appointed as follows:—

The Bishops of Texas, North Carolina, and the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky; the Rev. Drs. Williams, Porter, and Powers; Messrs. McNeal, Farrar, and Footman.

Upon motion, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Mississippi was added as chairman.

The committee brought in a report on the third day. It was earnestly debated, the discussion continuing through the third day, and finally re-committed. The committee was increased by the addition of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, as follows:—

The Bishop of Missouri, and the Assistant Bishop of Mississippi; the Rev. Drs. Harris and Gray; Messrs. Miles and Whittle.

On the night of the fourth day of the Conference, the committee submitted their report as follows:—

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee to which were referred sundry resolutions and suggestions, bearing upon the work of the Church among the coloured people of the South, would respectfully report to the Conference, that, after most careful consideration, it has with great unanimity arrived at the following conclusions, viz.:—

1. The Committee is profoundly impressed by the difficulties surrounding this subject of the work of the Church among the coloured people of



the South, and would begin the report by this acknowledgment, that there are grave embarrassments attending each and all of the proposed methods for the accomplishment of the work which is undoubtedly imposed by the commandment of the Lord.

2. Your Committee believes that because of the Apostolic character of the Episcopal office, which has been received "always and everywhere and by all men;" because of the Ecclesiastical unity thereby maintained and exhibited, which may not be broken; and because of the truest welfare of all mankind, — there can be but one fold and one Chief Shepherd for all the people in any field of Ecclesiastical designation. But your Committee is of the opinion that because of the peculiarity of the relations of the two races, one to the other, in our country, because of their history in the past and the hopes of the future, there is needed special legislation, appointing special agency and method for the ingathering of these wandering sheep into the fold of Christ.

Therefore your Committee would report, that in its judgment it is entirely inexpedient, both on grounds of Ecclesiastical polity, and also of a due consideration of the interests of all concerned, to establish any separate, independent Ecclesiastical organization for the coloured people dwelling within the territory of our constituted Jurisdictions. Yet your Committee would not be understood to determine the success of this meeting by the number of resolutions and proposals for amendments of Canons which it may adopt. Your Committee does not measure the success of this deeply interesting Conference so much by the change of the method of constitutional or canonical procedure, as by the deepening of religious fervour, by the more effective stirring up the grace that is in us, by more entire personal and parochial consecration to the work which the Providence of God has laid upon us, by the demonstration of sympathy and of our real belief in the brotherhood of all men in Christ.

Your Committee, therefore, begs leave to submit the following draught of a Canon to be presented to the approaching General Convention, and also a series of resolutions to be offered to the same body.

## CANON

### OF MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN CONSTITUTED EPISCOPAL JURISDICTIONS.

§ i. In any Diocese containing a large number of persons of colour, it shall be lawful for the Bishop and Convention of the same to constitute such population into a special Missionary Organization under the charge of the Bishop.

§ ii. When such special Missionary Organization shall have been constituted in any Diocese, the Bishop shall annually appoint two or more Presbyters, and two or more Laymen, Communicants of this Church and members of the Diocese, as an Executive Committee to act as an advisory council to the Bishop in all matters pertaining to the interests of said Missionary Organization; and specially it shall be the duty of said Executive Committee to aid the Bishop in the establishment of Missions and schools, by seeking out suitable candidates for the Ministry, and providing for their maintenance during candidateship, and by the performance of such other duties as the Bishop shall assign. Such Committee shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

§ iii. The Bishop, to aid him in the superintendence of such Missionary Organizations, may, as expediency shall suggest, appoint one or more Presbyters as Archdeacons, who shall perform such duties as the Bishop may assign, and by authority of the Bishop may convene the Clergy and Laity of said Missionary Organization in Convocation for the purpose of furthering its work.

§ iv. Every Bishop within whose Diocese the aforesaid Missionary Organization may be constituted, if assisted or supported by the Board of Missions of the Church in the United States, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state of the Church in said Missionary Organization, and also shall make a report of the same once a year to the Board of Managers.

§ v. Congregations organized under the provisions of this Canon, and Ministers exercising their functions within such special Missionary Organizations, may be received into union with the Convention of the Diocese on such terms and by such process as are provided by the said Diocesan Convention. Until such reception into union with the Convention shall have been accomplished, it shall suffice if the names of the Clergy in such Missionary Organizations shall appear on a separate list to be delivered to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, as containing all the names of the Ministry of this Church in the special Missionary Organization, and that they be not placed on the Diocesan list as the basis of determining the Diocesan ratio of contingent expenses.

*Resolution 1. Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Conference, it is expedient that the General Convention shall amend Title I., Canon 2, Section vi., Sub-section [2.], by striking out the words "extraordinary strength of natural understanding," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a sound understanding;" and, further, by striking out the word "peculiar" in the same line: so that the sub-section as amended shall read:—

"If the Bishop, on consideration of the circumstances of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure, and lay before the Standing Committee, a testimonial signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that, in their opinion, the Postulant possesses a sound understanding, an aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and adding any other reason for a dispensation which they may believe to exist."

*Resolution 2. Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Conference, that the Bishop should exercise his fullest Canonical discretion in the ordering of Divine Services in the Missionary Organization, provided that such services be taken from the Book of Common Prayer.

II. But, granting that such freedom of organization shall have been given to Bishops and Conventions who may desire to exercise it, the question still keeps repeating itself, How shall these people be trained into intelligent apprehension of the precious truths, and intelligent participation in the precious rites, of our holy religion? And the answer is seemingly plain, that a preacher must be sent if they shall hear and live; that teachers must instruct these, as all other men, in the "all things" which our Lord commanded. But certainly the whole history of the Church goes to prove that only by a native Ministry can any effectual work be done among any people. And therefore the Church must provide for the education of young coloured men for the Ministry, if she is to make any impression upon the mass of this population.

Your Committee has heard with great satisfaction the statement made



by the Bishop of North Carolina to this Conference, touching the present encouraging condition of St. Augustine's Normal School at Raleigh, North Carolina; and would therefore suggest for adoption the following resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That this Conference recognizes with great thankfulness, that there has been already established in the Diocese of North Carolina an institution for the education of coloured teachers and ministers, which, by its graduates already sent forth, has proven the value of the instruction, intellectual, moral, and religious, it imparts.

2. *Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Conference, this institution is a plant which should be nurtured by the united efforts of all the Dioceses in the Southern States; and it earnestly recommends to the several Dioceses, that they shall thus join to develop and enlarge it, if it shall seem good to the trustees of St. Augustine's School to invite such co-operation, and to make the school a general institution, governed and maintained by such united action.

And your Committee would earnestly call attention to the fact that the best results have been attained among the coloured people by the Church fulfilling the duty of the training-master, and that herein is a special excellence of the education given in St. Augustine's, that the preachers go forth to be teachers as well.

The Committee suggest for adoption the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Conference, the day-school, free to all comers only on the condition that the religious system of the Church shall be a part of the daily instruction, should be an agency of every mission among the coloured people; and that Deacons or Priests will accomplish best results by the labours of the schoolroom united with those of the pulpit.

Lastly, your Committee suggests that a committee, consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed by the Chair, to lay the proceedings of this Conference before the coming General Convention, and to urge such action as is herein suggested.

(Signed)

WM. M. GREEN, *Bishop of Mississippi.*

ALEXANDER GREGG, *Bishop of Texas.*

C. F. ROBERTSON, *Bishop of Missouri.*

T. B. LYMAN, *Bishop of North Carolina.*

T. U. DUDLEY, *Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.*

HUGH MILLER THOMPSON, *Assistant Bishop of Mississippi.*

W. C. WILLIAMS, D.D., *Georgia.*

A. TOOMER PORTER, D.D., *South Carolina.*

GEO. C. HARRIS, D.D., *Mississippi.*

W. C. GRAY, D.D., *Tennessee.*

PIKE POWERS, D.D., *Virginia.*

L. N. WHITTLE, *Georgia.*

R. H. FOOTMAN, *Georgia.*

ALBERT T. McNEAL, *Tennessee.*

E. D. FARRAR, *Mississippi.*

C. RICHARDSON MILES, *Mississippi.*

*Committee.*

The report was adopted, almost without debate, the Bishop of Alabama dissenting.

The following was ordered to be spread upon the minutes :—

“The Bishop of Alabama, whilst in cordial sympathy with the object of the above proposed canon, could not vote for it, because, in his opinion, it involves the idea of class legislation.”

The Chair appointed the following committee to lay the proceedings of this Conference before the General Convention, to be held in October, as provided by the last clause of the report :—

The Bishop of South Carolina, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, the Rev. A. Toomer Porter, D.D., the Rev. P. G. Robert, Mr. A. T. McNeal, Mr. G. R. Fairbanks.

The Rev. Dr. Dashiell moved the following, which was adopted :—

WHEREAS, It has come to the knowledge of this Conference, that a meeting of our coloured brethren of the Ministry of this Church has been called to meet in September next, and that the object of this meeting is, like our own, to agree upon some plan whereby the work among the coloured people may be more vigorously and intelligently prosecuted under the auspices of the General Convention: therefore,

*Resolved*, 1, That this Conference hereby expresses its sincere pleasure in view of the proposed conference of our brethren in September.

*Resolved*, 2, That we hereby give assurance of our sympathy with those brethren in the object of their meeting, and express our conviction that such a Conference upon their part will lead to a decided and desirable result. We pray for them, as for ourselves, that the Holy Spirit may preside over all their deliberations.

*Resolved*, 3, That, in response to their suggestion, we appoint a committee of six who shall meet any committee that may be appointed by our coloured brethren in September; and that these two committees be requested to hold a conference before any memorial or proposition on this subject is presented to the General Convention.

The following Committee of Conference was appointed :—

The Bishop of South Carolina, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. William C. Williams, the Rev. Dr. William C. Gray, Mr. A. T. McNeal, and Judge H. W. Sheffey.

After appropriate devotions by the Bishop of Texas, the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. GREEN, *Bishop of Mississippi, Chairman.*

F. A. SHOUP, D.D., *Secretary.*

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## APPENDIX XI. — 10.

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### MEMORIAL FROM THE CONVOCATION OF COLORADO AND WYOMING TO THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS, ASKING THAT WYOMING BE MADE A SEPARATE MISSIONARY JURISDICTION.

*To the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in Philadelphia, October, A.D. 1883.*

Your memorialists would respectfully submit the following resolution which was adopted by the Annual Convocation of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Colorado and Wyoming, held in Denver, June 13 and 14, 1883:—

*Resolved*, That the delegates, both Clerical and Lay, be instructed to co-operate with the Bishop in urging the necessity of having Wyoming Territory set apart as a separate Missionary Jurisdiction at the meeting of the General Convention in October next.

Owing to the vast extent of territory at present embraced within this jurisdiction, your memorialists would urge that the needs of the Church in Colorado and Wyoming demand that such a step should be taken.

In Wyoming Territory, there are now two self-supporting parishes and five mission stations at which services are held. There are other points in the Territory, as yet unoccupied, but which are promising fields of usefulness for the Church. The Territory has a population of from 30,000 to 40,000. It has an area as large as New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania combined, more than one and one-half greater than New England.

Its resources are manifold. It is commonly believed, by those best acquainted with Wyoming, that it has more coal, oil, and iron than Pennsylvania. About 100 miles north-east of Cheyenne, there has been discovered a vast region rich in copper. At Rawhide Buttes, numerous mines have been discovered, some of them with thousands of tons of high-grade ore in sight.

At Hartville are many more copper-mines, several of which have been sold for \$50,000 and upwards. At Fairbanks are the Wyoming Copper Company's smelting-works, which went into operation last year, and are highly successful.

There are silver and gold mines which promise rich results, and a dozen lakes of pure soda thought to be worth millions of dollars.

In addition to these resources, it has unsurpassed grazing advantages.

There are from 500,000 to 700,000 sheep in the Territory. Last year there were sent to the Chicago market more than 220,000 head of cattle, which sold at \$10,000,000 or more. The cattle now ranging in the Territory are worth over \$30,000,000.

At present there is but one railroad running through the Territory; but it is confidently expected that a line will very soon be extended through the centre of Wyoming, thus opening to settlement an agricultural region said to be equal to that of Southern Dakota. Already this portion of the Territory is fast filling up with a thrifty and intelligent population. The future of Wyoming is certain. Its natural resources have been overlooked, and a development sudden and rapid is sure to follow. By a wise and timely outlay of energies, the Church can lay grand foundations for the future in this broad field. It can become powerful or weak, as its action is guided by wisdom or indifference.

Your memorialists therefore pray the House of Bishops to take such measures as may be necessary to have Wyoming Territory set apart as a separate Missionary Jurisdiction, and a Bishop consecrated for the same at your present meeting.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

GEORGE C. RAFTER,

*Rector of St. Mark's Church, Cheyenne, and  
Dean of Wyoming;*

GEO. H. CORNELL,

*Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Laramie City,  
and Secretary of Wyoming Convocation;*

FRANK WOLCOTT,

*Treasurer Wyoming Convocation, —*

*Committee in behalf of Clergy and Laity of Wyoming.*

## APPENDIX XI.—11.

MEMORIALS TO THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS FROM DAKOTA, FOR  
A DIVISION OF THAT MISSIONARY JURISDICTION.

## I. MEMORIAL OF THE CONVOCATION OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

*To the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

REVEREND FATHERS IN GOD, — The undersigned, members of a committee appointed in accordance with a resolution of the last Convocation of the Church in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota, respectfully ask your attention to the following statements and suggestions: —

1. The Right Reverend the Bishop of Nebraska, after eighteen years of faithful and unwearied service in this Jurisdiction, in June last, formally announced to the Convocation of the Jurisdiction his purpose to resign this portion of his charge at the meeting of the House of Bishops in October next.

2. This Jurisdiction, embracing that portion of the Territory of Dakota lying east of the Missouri River, extends north and south about four hundred miles, and east and west about the same distance, covering an area of nearly ninety thousand square miles, almost the whole of which is capable of profitable cultivation. Within this area is a present population of at least three hundred thousand souls, a hundred and twenty-five thousand of whom have probably come hither within a year. Stimulated by the abundant crops of the present season, the immigration of the coming year promises to be at least equal to that of the year past: so that the population a year hence is not likely to be much less than four hundred and fifty thousand souls.

3. It is confidently expected that the Territory of Dakota will soon be divided on the forty-sixth parallel of latitude; to which end the people living south of that parallel have already provided for holding a Convention in the month of September, to form a Constitution for their proposed State, with the purpose of applying for admission to the Union at the next session of Congress.

4. Having in view the great area of the Jurisdiction, its rapidly increasing population, and its probable civil division, Convocation in June last provided for the appointment of a Committee of two Clergymen from each of the sections made by such division, to represent to your Right Reverend body certain facts connected with the interests of the Church in their respective sections, and respectfully to ask you to consider the expediency of electing and consecrating a Bishop for each of the aforesaid sections.

5. The undersigned, as members of the above-mentioned Committee for that portion of the Jurisdiction lying south of the proposed line of division, desire to state that *this portion* of the Jurisdiction covers an area of forty thousand square miles, most of which has a soil of extraordinary fertility. This area is divided into forty-two counties, and has a popu-

lation of two hundred thousand souls; nearly nine-tenths of the *white* population of the proposed State of South Dakota, since that portion of the proposed State which lies west of the Missouri River, and is embraced within the Missionary Jurisdiction of Niobrara, consists chiefly of Indian reservations, having only the Black Hills district inhabited by whites. With the same rate of increase which has obtained during the two or three years last past, and which seems likely to continue, the population of this section a year hence will probably reach two hundred and seventy-five thousand. There are now about a hundred towns of from a hundred to five thousand people, most of which are growing with great rapidity; and new towns are continually springing up. The class of people coming into the country is exceptionally intelligent and enterprising. Schools, colleges, and religious societies are rapidly multiplying. Each section of the Territory is provided with a Territorial University and two or three normal schools. In this *southern section* the various religious bodies have been exceedingly active. Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Methodists, Baptists, and Romanists have sent in men and money in abundance. They *all* have numerous religious societies, and *all* have their schools and colleges either already in operation or provided for. We are behind them all, and therefore need to make all the more strenuous effort now, so that we may securely plant the Church and her institutions while society is yet in a formative condition, and before the ground is even more completely pre-occupied. We have now *eight* parishes and *seventeen* missions, with about *eight hundred* communicants, in this section of the Jurisdiction. With this nucleus for Church work, with so large a present population, and such promise of rapid increase; with so many towns rapidly growing under the impulse of one thousand and three hundred miles of railroad already completed, and several hundred miles more soon to be constructed; with scores of such towns awaiting a visit from the pioneer Missionary of the Church, the Bishop; with the many children of the Church, scattered "as sheep without a shepherd" in these towns and the country around about, ready to co-operate with a chief Pastor whenever he shall come to them; with the very great practical disadvantage at which we stand, as compared with other religious bodies, with respect to work already accomplished; — with all this in view, it seems to us that there is *more* than enough for a Bishop to do *in this section alone*, if we would put our beloved Church in the forefront of the battle for God and humanity.

All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration, with the firm conviction that you, equally with ourselves, bear on your hearts the interests of the Church of Christ in our rapidly growing Western empire.

(Signed)

M. HOYT,

WM. J. HARRIS,

*Members of Committee for South Dakota.*

HURON, DAK., August 27, 1883.



## STATISTICS.

	South Dakota.	North Dakota.	Total.
Number of square miles . . . . .	40,000	50,000	90,000
Number of counties . . . . .	42	38	80
Miles of railroad completed . . . . .	1,300	1,000	2,300
Number of towns of from 100 to 5,000 or more people . . . . .	100	60	160
Number of Parishes . . . . .	8	4	12
Number of Missions . . . . .	17	13	30
Number of Communicants . . . . .	775	525	1,300
Number of Clergy at work . . . . .	10	5	15
Present population . . . . .	200,000	100,000	300,000
Probable population one year hence . . . . .	275,000	150,000	425,000

## II. — MEMORIAL OF THE CONVOCATION OF NORTH DAKOTA.

*To the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America.*

RIGHT REVEREND FATHERS IN GOD, — The Right Rev. Robert Harper Clarkson, D.D., LL.D., who has been for eighteen years our faithful Bishop, having announced to the Convocation at the Annual Session at Sioux Falls, Dakota, June 23, 1883, his determination to resign the charge of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Dakota, the undersigned were by him appointed a committee, in accordance with a resolution of Convocation, to collect and present to the Bishops of the Church such facts as bear upon the proposition requesting your honourable body to consider the expediency of electing and consecrating a Bishop for North Dakota and a Bishop for South Dakota. We beg leave, therefore, to state that there is an almost universal expectation that Dakota Territory will be divided into two States on the line of the 46th parallel of latitude.

North of this line, and east of the Missouri River, is an area of fifty thousand square miles, with a population fairly estimated at a hundred thousand.

Most of the land in this great region is capable of rapid settlement and cultivation.

It is divided into thirty-eight counties, and has seven hundred miles of railway. Many of these counties are already filled with an enterprising and intelligent population.

Towns and villages are growing up in all this region, into nearly all of which we are convinced the Church may be favourably introduced by a resident Bishop with Clergy and means for Church extension at his command. Laymen are found in many places ready to assist.

At fifteen points, steps have been taken to begin permanent work. In four of the larger towns, self-sustaining churches are built. Two others are preparing to build.

Three have Lay Readers.

In some, land is offered.

The number of Clergymen in active service in all this region is but five; and they are in parishes, giving them but little freedom for the great Missionary work.



We therefore join most heartily in the request of the brethren that the House of Bishops may consider the expediency of sending a Bishop for each of these districts.

Very respectfully submitted.

E. S. PEAKE,

B. F. COOLEY,

*Members of the Committee from North Dakota.*

FARGO, DAKOTA TERRITORY,  
August 27, A.D. 1883.

## APPENDIX XII.

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### REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD PRAYER BOOK.

*To the General Convention.*

I BEG to report, as required by Title I., Canon 19, § ii., [2.], that, with the advice and consent of the Committee appointed for that purpose,<sup>1</sup> I have directed that the following alterations be made in the stereotype plates of the Standard Prayer Book:—

I. On pp. 10, 11, 20, 21, that the Nicene Creed be uniformly printed as follows:—

**I** BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By Whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

II. On p. 19, line 16, that a comma be inserted after “unto us.”

III. On p. 241, line 4 from bottom, that the word “favourable” be changed to “favourably.”

IV. On p. 299, line 16, that the words “Jesus Christ” be transposed.

V. On p. 449, line 10, that the word “ye” before “joyful” be omitted.

A considerable amount of material for other corrections has been col-

<sup>1</sup> The Bishops of Rhode Island and Vermont have been members of the Committee from its first appointment in 1871. The Rev. W. T. Webbe was appointed in 1874 to fill the vacancy caused by the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Howe to the Episcopate; and the Rev. F. Harrison was understood to have been appointed in 1880, in place of the Rev. Dr. Haught, deceased, but no record of such appointment has been found in the printed Journal.

lected, but they cannot be made until another edition of the Prayer Book shall be set forth as a standard. The correction of the punctuation of the Nicene Creed was considered important to be made at once, because the versions in Morning and Evening Prayer differed from one another; and confusion resulted from this in other editions, so that publishers and correctors of the press were blamed when the standard itself was chiefly in fault.<sup>1</sup> In the punctuation adopted, the twelve Articles are separated by colons or periods. The corrections numbered II. and V. were found to have been made between the years 1872 and 1879, probably under the authority of the late Custodian (the Rev. Dr. Haight); but as no record of his action could be found, they are included in this report. The corrections numbered III. and IV. are of mere printer's errors.

It should be understood by the Convention, that the stereotype plates are the property of the publishers, and only constructively in my custody, being actually in London, where they were manufactured. There is, however, a copy of the Standard which was laid before the Convention of 1871, and in which the corrections to be found in Appendix III. of the Report of the Committee on the Standard Prayer Book (*Journal of 1871*, p. 537) were made with a pen. This book has the certificate on the back of the title in manuscript, and the autograph signatures of the Presidents and Secretaries of the two Houses of the Convention. It has been interleaved so as to receive on its blank pages the authority for any changes that may be made in the plates.

It would be very convenient for the Convention to own copies of the various editions of the Prayer Book that have been adopted as standards,<sup>2</sup> and of other works that need to be referred to in deciding questions as to the text and typography. If some appropriation were made for the expenses of the office of Custodian, I should hope to form a small collection of such works that would be of considerable interest and use.

I have to acknowledge the courtesy and kindness of the Very Rev. the Prolocutor of the Lower House of the Convocation of Canterbury, and of the Rev. Canon Jeffreys, Chairman of the Committee on Punctuation, etc., in furnishing me with copies of the Committee's report and memoranda as to the action of the House upon it. These papers have been of use in settling the punctuation of the Nicene Creed as given above, and in determining other questions. I am also indebted to the librarian of the Cathedral Library at Durham, for permission to inspect the "Sealed Book"<sup>3</sup> preserved there, from which it appears that the word "may" before "shew forth thy praise," in the General Thanksgiving, was deliberately struck out by the Commissioners who corrected

<sup>1</sup> See General Convention Journal of 1880, pp. 26, 84.

<sup>2</sup> I am indebted to the Rev. Frederick Gibson for the following list of standard editions:—

1. Hall and Sellers, 12mo, Philadelphia, 1700.
2. Hugh Gaine, 8vo, New York, 1793.
3. S. Potter and Co., 8vo, Philadelphia, 1822.
4. Protestant Episcopal Press, royal 12mo, New York, 1832.
5. Female Protestant Episcopal Prayer Book Society of Pennsylvania, 12mo, Philadelphia, 1838.
6. New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, and Harper and Brothers, 8vo, New York, 1845.
7. New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, 8vo, New York, 1871.

To these should be added the "Book of Offices," Hugh Gaine, 4to, New York, 1793. The authentic text of the Book of Articles is obtained by applying the alterations on p. of the General Convention Journal of 1801 (Perry's reprint, vol. 1. p. 279) to the correct text of the English Articles.

<sup>3</sup> This copy is in beautiful preservation, with the Letters Patent and Great Seal attached.

the printed book. The same correction was made in the other "Sealed Books," as appears by the collation in Stephen's edition of the Book of Common Prayer, published by the Ecclesiastical History Society. It will be remembered that the General Thanksgiving was first added to the Prayer Book at the review in 1662; and therefore the text of the Sealed Books represents the judgment of the author of the Thanksgiving, and of the Bishops and Clergy who adopted it. The explanation of this word's being found in all American Standard Prayer Books until 1871 is almost certainly that the copy for the first edition was made up from an incorrect English Prayer Book.<sup>1</sup> The matter may not be of great importance; but so many questions have been asked about it, that it may be worth while to put this statement on record.

Respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS HARISON,

*Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book.*

Troy, N.Y., October 11, 1883.

<sup>1</sup> I have verified this statement by comparing several editions that were probably in use about 1789.—C. Bill, London, 1706; Baskett, Oxford, 1716; John Baskett and Assigns of Henry Hills, folio, London, 1724; Assigns of H. M. Printer and Henry Hills, London, 1730; Baskerville, 8vo, 1760, 1761, and 1762, and 12mo, 1762; Mark Baskett, Oxford, 1764. Also two editions which I examined in the Chapel at Lambeth Palace,—Cambridge, 4to, 1758, and Cambridge, folio, 1767. All these have the "may." Editions somewhat earlier and later than these have the correct reading, "and that we shew forth thy praise."

## APPENDIX XIII.

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### REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

THE Registrar of the General Convention respectfully reports:—

That it is still due to the kindness of the Rector of Grace Church, New York, that a place of safe-keeping is provided for the documents and such other property of the Convention as the Registrar has charge of, with the exception of a few papers in the Registrar's own hands; and of the gold alms-basin, which is deposited with the Mercantile Safe Deposit Company in New York.

During the three years past, the Registrar has attended, in person or by deputy, at the consecration of five Bishops, for the purpose expressed in the Canon. He has prepared, as required, duplicate Letters of Consecration in each instance, has secured the due signature and issuing of the same, and has placed one copy of each on file and record.

The books and MSS. which became the property of the General Convention by gift of the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., then historiographer of the Church in the United States, passed into the hands of his successor, the Right Rev. Bishop of Iowa, and are held by him in charge, as Assistant Registrar.

J. H. HOBART, *Registrar.*

PHILADELPHIA, October, 1883.

## APPENDIX XIV.

TREASURER'S REPORT, OCT. 3, 1883.  
 LLOYD W. WELLS, Treasurer, in account with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.

Dr.	1883. October,	City.	Ass.	\$1,216 75	1880. Oct.	By Bill of printing, " desks (House of Bishops) Cheque to Rev. C. L. Hutchins. " Rev. L. P. Tuckerville. " Rev. H. Anstice. " Rev. H. P. Hay. " Rev. C. L. Hutchins. " " " " Fred. Williams. " A. G. Sherwood & Co. " A. T. Stewart & Co. " Rev. H. C. Potter. " Rev. W. Tatlock. " Rev. George D. Wildes. " Walter G. Mackie. Cash to Reynolds Express. " John Behmer. Cheque to Rev. G. F. Nelson. " Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith. " Rev. S. H. Tyng, jun. " Thomas Groom & Co. " James Shelton. Order from Rev. H. C. Potter. Cheque to John Polhemous. " Henry Anstice & Co. " A. G. Sherwood. " J. H. Guardiner. " Alfred Mudge & Co. " Rev. J. H. Hobart, D.D.	V'ch.	Cr.
To Balance, Oct. 6, 1880.	28	28	3	84 00	15,	By Bill of printing, " desks (House of Bishops)	1	\$2 00
Diocese of Alabama.	110	110	3	357 00	22,	Cheque to Rev. C. L. Hutchins.	2	10 50
Albany.	12	12	3	36 00	22,	" Rev. L. P. Tuckerville.	3	500 00
Arkansas.	47	47	3	141 00	22,	" Rev. H. Anstice.	5	150 00
California.	96	96	3	288 00	22,	" Rev. H. P. Hay.	6	150 00
Central New York.	83	83	3	264 00	22,	" Rev. C. L. Hutchins.	7	22 51
Central Pennsylvania.	180	180	3	540 00	22,	" " "	8	146 15
Connecticut.	28	28	3	81 00	Nov.	" Fred. Williams.	9	54 68
Delaware.	32	32	3	96 00	1.	" A. G. Sherwood & Co.	10	173 75
Easton.	18	18	3	54 00	4,	" A. T. Stewart & Co.	11	49 08
Florida.	26	26	3	78 00	4,	" Rev. H. C. Potter.	12	25 00
Fond du Lac.	38	38	3	114 00	4,	" Rev. W. Tatlock.	13	13 95
Georgia.	60	60	3	180 00	10,	" Rev. George D. Wildes.	14	30 00
Illinois.	32	32	3	96 00	16,	" Walter G. Mackie.	15	107 20
Indiana.	50	50	3	150 00	19,	Cash to Reynolds Express.	16	3 00
Iowa.	28	28	3	84 00	19,	" John Behmer.	17	3 50
Kansas.	40	40	3	120 00	19,	Cheque to Rev. G. F. Nelson.	18	50 00
Kentucky.	93	93	3	283 00	24,	" Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith.	19	100 00
Long Island.	33	33	3	99 00	29,	" Rev. S. H. Tyng, jun.	20	19 70
Louisiana.	27	27	3	81 00	29,	" Thomas Groom & Co.	21	754 68
Maine.	160	160	3	483 00	30,	" James Shelton.	22	8 00
Maryland.	182	182	3	453 00	6,	Order from Rev. H. C. Potter.	23	150 00
Massachusetts.	60	60	3	180 00	20,	Cheque to John Polhemous.	24	30 00
Michigan.	77	77	3	231 00	20,	" Henry Anstice & Co.	25	8 00
Minnesota.	27	27	3	81 00	20,	" A. G. Sherwood.	26	10 00
Mississippi.	54	54	3	162 00	20,	" J. H. Guardiner.	27	43 00
Missouri.	32	32	3	96 00	20,	" Alfred Mudge & Co.	28	10 50
Nebraska.	31	31	3	93 00	30,	" Rev. J. H. Hobart, D.D.	29	100 00
New Hampshire.	95	95	3	285 00				
New Jersey.	300	300	3	927 00	1881.			
New York.	71	71	3	213 00	Jan.	" J. J. Little & Co., New York.	30	274 77
North Carolina.	71	71	3	213 00	4,	" Stryker & Cash.	31	149 85
Northern New Jersey.	63	63	3	198 00	4,	" J. J. Little & Co.	32	10 50
Ohio.	195	195	3	583 00	13,	" Rev. C. L. Hutchins.	33	63 19
Pennsylvania.	45	45	3	135 00	13,	" John Murphy.	34	103 90
Pittsburg.	21	21	3	63 00	24,	" Way & Rankin.	35	16 08
Quincy.								



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1883. Oct. 1	To Balance due General Convention . . . . .	49	3	147 00	Feb. 5,	"	"	Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith. . . . .	38	100 00
		47	3	141 00	11,	"	"	Rand & Avery . . . . .	37	91 40
		51	3	153 60	March 1,	"	"	" . . . . .	38	2,749 35
		36	3	103 00	7,	"	"	M. H. Mallory & Co. . . . .	29	6 30
		21	3	72 00	12,	"	"	T. Whitaker . . . . .	30	36 72
		23	3	87 00	April 12,	"	"	Rev. C. L. Hutchins . . . . .	41	500 00
		130	3	390 00	30,	"	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith . . . . .	42	100 00
		30	3	90 00	July 2,	"	"	Rev. C. L. Hutchins . . . . .	43	43 15
		103	3	309 00	13,	"	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith . . . . .	44	100 00
		14	3	42 00	Oct. 24,	"	"	Jas. McCauley . . . . .	45	5 55
		65	3	195 00	Nov. 1,	"	"	Rev. Charles L. Hutchins . . . . .	45	200 00
					Dec. 1,	"	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith . . . . .	47	100 00
					22,	"	"	Rev. J. H. Hobart, D.D. . . . .	48	100 00
						"	"	Rev. H. C. Potter, D.D. . . . .	49	350 00
						"	"	J. H. Guardinier . . . . .	50	15 75
					1882.					
					Jan. 4,	"	"	Rev. Charles L. Hutchins . . . . .	51	53 07
					Feb. 1,	"	"	Thomas Groom & Co. . . . .	52	163 83
					6,	"	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith . . . . .	53	100 00
					May 2,	"	"	" . . . . .	54	100 00
					July 5,	"	"	Rev. Charles L. Hutchins . . . . .	55	200 00
					5,	"	"	" " " for expenses, . . . . .	56	33 54
					Aug. 4,	"	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith . . . . .	57	100 00
					Oct. 14,	"	"	Rev. Charles L. Hutchins . . . . .	58	200 00
					Nov. 23,	"	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith . . . . .	59	100 00
					1883.					
					Jan. 3,	"	"	Rev. C. L. Hutchins, expenses . . . . .	60	52 20
					8,	"	"	J. H. Guardinier . . . . .	61	17 00
					24,	"	"	Rev. J. H. Hobart, D.D. . . . .	62	100 00
					20,	"	"	Rev. C. L. Hutchins, Secretary . . . . .	63	177 21
					Feb. 1,	"	"	Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D.D. . . . .	64	100 00
					April 26,	"	"	Rev. C. L. Hutchins, Secretary . . . . .	65	290 00
					May 1,	"	"	Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D.D. . . . .	66	100 00
					July 4,	"	"	Rev. C. L. Hutchins, Secretary . . . . .	67	47 53
					Aug. 1,	"	"	Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D.D. . . . .	68	100 00
					Sept. 24,	"	"	Rev. H. C. Potter, D.D., Sec'y . . . . .	69	50 00
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										\$10,585 75
										\$390 63
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				\$390 63						

LLOYD W. WELLS, Treasurer.

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New York, Oct. 1, 1883.

## APPENDIX XV.

### LETTERS OF CONSECRATION.

#### CXIX.

ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.

DIOCESE OF QUINCY.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Benjamin Bosworth Smith, S.T.D., LL.D., Presiding Bishop; John Williams, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Connecticut; Thomas March Clark, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Rhode Island; Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., Bishop of Long Island; Frederic Dan Huntington, S.T.D., Bishop of Central New York; and Benjamin Henry Paddock, S.T.D., Bishop of Massachusetts,—under the protection of Almighty God, in Christ Church in the city of Springfield and commonwealth of Massachusetts, on Wednesday, the fifteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, in presence of divers of the Clergy and Laity, did then and there, according to the due and prescribed Order of the Church in the United States, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, publicly ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, Alexander Burgess, Priest, Doctor of Sacred Theology, and Rector of Christ Church aforesaid; of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the Church of God; he having been duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy.

Witness our hands and seals at the place and date above written.

BENJAMIN BOSWORTH SMITH,

*Presiding Bishop.*

THOMAS M. CLARK,

[SEAL.]

*Bishop of Rhode Island.*

JOHN WILLIAMS,

[SEAL.]

*Bishop of Connecticut.*

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN,

[SEAL.]

*Bishop of Long Island.*

F. D. HUNTINGTON,

[SEAL.]

*Bishop of Central New York.*

BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK,

[SEAL.]

*Bishop of Massachusetts.*

## CXX.

GEORGE WILLIAM PETERKIN, D.D.

DIOCESE OF WEST VIRGINIA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE  
HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Bishop of Ohio; John Barrett Kerfoot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh; Francis McNeece Whittle, D.D., Bishop of Virginia; Thomas Underwood Dudley, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Kentucky; Thomas Augustus Jaggar, D.D., Bishop of Southern Ohio, — under the protection of Almighty God, in St. Matthew's Church in the city of Wheeling in the State and Diocese of West Virginia, on Ascension Day, being the thirtieth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, did there and then, in the presence of divers of the Clergy and Laity in a public congregation, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, George William Peterkin, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Memorial Church in the city of Baltimore in the State and Diocese of Maryland, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop into the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Bishop of West Virginia.

In testimony whereof we have herewith set our hands and seals in the city of Wheeling and State of West Virginia aforesaid, and on the day and year above written.

GREGORY THURSTON BEDELL, [SEAL.]  
*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church  
in the Diocese of Ohio.*

JOHN B. KERFOOT, [SEAL.]  
*Bishop of Pittsburgh.*

FRANCIS M. WHITTLE, [SEAL.]  
*Bishop of Virginia.*

T. U. DUDLEY, [SEAL.]  
*Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.*

THOS. A. JAGGAR, [SEAL.]  
*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church  
in the Diocese of Southern Ohio.*

## CXXI.

GEORGE FRANKLIN SEYMOUR, D.D., LL.D.

DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE  
HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

*To the Faithful of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, throughout  
the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., Oxon., by the grace of God, Bishop of New York, presiding; assisted by John

Henry Chitty Harper, D.D., by the grace of God, Lord Bishop of Christ Church, New Zealand, and Primate; Horatio Southgate, D.D., formerly Missionary Bishop at Constantinople; William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Northern New Jersey; Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., LL.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Easton; Charles Todd Quintard, D.D., LL.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Tennessee; Robert Harper Clarkson, D.D., LL.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Nebraska, and Missionary Bishop of Dakota; Henry Adams Neely, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Maine; John Scarborough, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of New Jersey; and William Edward McLaren, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Illinois, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Trinity Church in the city of New York, on the Feast of St. Barnabas the Apostle, being also the Tuesday in Whitsun-week, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of New York, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. George Franklin Seymour, D.D., LL.D., Presbyterian of the Diocese of New York, Dean of the General Theological Seminary, and 'St. Mark's Church in the Bowery' Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the same, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city and State of New York aforesaid, and on the day and in the year herein above written.

HORATIO POTTER,

*Bishop of New York, and Consecrator.*

J. H. C. HARPER,

*Bishop of Christ Church, and Primate of New Zealand.*

W. H. ODENHEIMER,

*Bishop of Northern New Jersey.*

CHARLES TODD QUINTARD,

*Bishop of Tennessee.*

ROBERT HARPER CLARKSON,

*Missionary Bishop of Nebraska and Dakota.*

WILLIAM EDWARD McLAREN,

*Bishop of Illinois.*

HENRY C. LAY,

*Bishop of Easton.*

HENRY A. NEELY,

*Bishop of Maine.*

JOHN SCARBOROUGH,

*Bishop of New Jersey.*

## CXXII.

SAMUEL SMITH HARRIS, D.D.

DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Richard Hooker Wilmer, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Alabama; assisted by the Right Rev. Joseph Cruikshank Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Indiana; the Right Rev. Robert Harper Clarkson, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Nebraska; the Right Rev. Edward Randolph Welles, D.D., Bishop of Wisconsin; the Right Rev. George De Normandie Gillespie, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan; the Right Rev. William Edward McLaren, S.T.D., Bishop of Illinois; the Right Rev. William Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Iowa; and the Right Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., Bishop of Quincy,—under the protection of Almighty God, in St. Paul's Church in the city of Detroit, State and Diocese of Michigan, on Wednesday after the fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, being the seventeenth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, and an Ember Day, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Michigan, and of other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, Samuel Smith Harris, D.D., LL.D., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Illinois, and Rector of St. James' Church, Chicago, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the Church of God; he having been duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, in the city of Detroit and State of Michigan, on the day and year hereinabove written.

RICHD. H. WILMER, *Bishop of Alabama, Consecrator.*  
 JOS. CRUIKSHANK TALBOT, *Bishop of Indiana.*  
 ROBERT H. CLARKSON, *Bishop of Nebraska.*  
 EDWARD. RANDOLPH WELLES, *Bishop of Wisconsin.*  
 GEO. D. GILLESPIE, *Bishop of West Michigan.*  
 WILLIAM EDWARD McLAREN, *Bishop of Illinois.*  
 WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Bishop of Iowa.*  
 ALEX. BURGESS, *Bishop of Quincy.*

## CXXIII.

THOMAS ALFRED STARKEY, D.D.

DIOCESE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

Be it known unto all men, that in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, on the eighth day of January, being the first

Thursday in Epiphany, we, Thomas March Clark, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Rhode Island; assisted by M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Central Pennsylvania; and Thomas H. Vail, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Kansas; together with the other Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, — did, under the protection of Almighty God, and ministering in Grace Church in the city of Newark and State of New Jersey, then and there ordain and consecrate, in the manner prescribed in the Ordinal as contained in The Book of Common Prayer, to be a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, our well-beloved in Christ, Thomas Alfred Starkey, Doctor of Divinity, Presbyter of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, duly elected Diocesan; to hold and exercise the Apostolic Office in the same.

THOMAS MARCH CLARK, *Consecrator.*  
 THOMAS H. VAIL,  
 M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE, } *Assistants.*  
 ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN.  
 JOHN SCARBOROUGH, } *Presenters.*  
 GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, }

## CXXIV.

JOHN NICHOLAS GALLEHER, D.D.

DIOCESE OF LOUISIANA.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

Be it known unto all men, that in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, on the fifth day of February, being the Thursday in Sexagesima, we, William Mercer Green, D.D., Bishop of Mississippi; assisted by Charles Franklin Robertson, D.D., Bishop of Missouri; and Richard Hooker Wilmer, D.D., Bishop of Alabama; together with the other Bishop whose name is hereto subscribed, — did, under the protection of Almighty God, and ministering in Trinity Church in the city of New Orleans and State of Louisiana, then and there, in the manner prescribed in the Ordinal as contained in the Book of Common Prayer, ordain and consecrate, to be a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, our well-beloved in Christ, John Nicholas Galleher, Doctor of Divinity, Presbyter of the Diocese of New York, duly elected to the Diocese of Louisiana, to hold and exercise in the same the Apostolic Office.

WILLIAM MERCER GREEN, *Consecrator.*  
 RICHARD HOOKER WILMER.  
 CHARLES FRANCIS ROBERTSON, } *Assistants.*  
     *Bishop of Missouri.*  
 T. U. DUDLEY,  
     *Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.*  
 RICHARD HOOKER WILMER, } *Presenters.*  
     *Bishop of Alabama.*  
 T. U. DUDLEY,  
     *Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.*



## CXXV.

GEORGE KELLY DUNLOP, D.D.

MISSIONARY JURISDICTION OF NEW MEXICO.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting.*

Be it known by these presents, that we, Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Minnesota; Charles Franklin Robertson, D.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Missouri; John Franklin Spalding, D.D., by Divine permission Missionary Bishop of Colorado and Wyoming; William Stevens Perry, D.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Iowa; Alexander Burgess, D.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Quincy; and George Franklin Seymour, D.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Springfield, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Christ Church in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, on the twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity, being the twenty-first day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, in the presence of divers of the Clergy and Laity, and in a public congregation, did then and there, according to the established order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, George Kelly Dunlop, Rector of Grace Church, Kirkwood, in the Diocese of Missouri, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred order and office of Bishop in the Church of God; he having been duly elected Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals in the city of St. Louis, on the day and in the year above written.

[SEAL.]

HENRY BENJAMIN WHIPPLE,

*Bishop of Minnesota, and Consecrator.*

[SEAL.]

CHARLES FRANKLIN ROBERTSON,

*Bishop of Missouri.*

[SEAL.]

JOHN FRANKLIN SPALDING,

*Bishop of Colorado.*

[SEAL.]

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,

*Bishop of Iowa.*

[SEAL.]

ALEXANDER BURGESS,

*Bishop of Quincy.*

[SEAL.]

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,

*Bishop of Springfield.*

## CXXVI.

LEIGH RICHMOND BREWER, D.D.

MISSIONARY JURISDICTION OF MONTANA.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known to you that we, Frederic Dan Huntington, S.T.D., by divine permission Bishop of Central New York; assisted by the Right

Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Utah and Idaho; and the Right Rev. Benjamin Wistar Morris, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Oregon; as also by the Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Trinity Church, Watertown, and State of New York, on the eighth day of December, being the second Wednesday in Advent, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Central New York, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate the Rev. Leigh Richmond Brewer, Presbyter, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Missionary Bishop of Montana.

Given under our hand and seals in Watertown, and State of New York aforesaid, on the eighth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty.

F. D. HUNTINGTON,	<i>Consecrator.</i>	[SEAL.]
DANL. S. TUTTLE,	} <i>Assisting.</i>	[SEAL.]
B. WISTAR MORRIS,		[SEAL.]
W. H. BISSELL,	} <i>Presenters.</i>	[SEAL.]
<i>Bishop of Vermont.</i>		
BENJ. H. PADDOCK,		[SEAL.]
<i>Bishop of Massachusetts.</i>		

## CXXVII.

JOHN ADAMS PADDOCK, D.D.

MISSIONARY JURISDICTION OF WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., LL.D., by divine permission Bishop of Kentucky, and Presiding Bishop; assisted by the Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Delaware; and the Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of New York; as also by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, — under the protection of Almighty God, in S. Peter's Church in the city of Brooklyn, Long Island, and State of New York, on the fifteenth day of December, being Wednesday in the Advent Ember week, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Long Island, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Rev. John Adams Paddock, D.D., Presbyter, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church

of God; he having been duly elected Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory.

Given under our hand and seals in the city of Brooklyn and State of New York, on the fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty.

	B. B. SMITH, <i>Consecrator.</i>	
[L.S.]	ALFRED LEE,	} <i>Assisting.</i>
[L.S.]	HORATIO POTTER,	
[L.S.]	DAN. S. TUTTLE,	
	<i>Bishop of Utah.</i>	} <i>Presenters.</i>
[L.S.]	BENJ. H. PADDOCK,	
	<i>Bishop of Massachusetts.</i>	
	C. CLIFTON PENICK,	[L.S.]
	<i>Cape Palmas and Parts adjacent, W.A.</i>	
	GEO. F. SEYMOUR,	[L.S.]
	<i>Bishop of Springfield.</i>	

## CXXVIII.

## CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, D.D.

## DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH.

## IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, William Bacon Stevens, D.D., LL.D., by divine permission Bishop of Pennsylvania; assisted by the Right Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Bishop of Ohio; and the Right Rev. M. A. DeWolfe Howe, D.D., Bishop of Central Pennsylvania; as also by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Trinity Church in the city of Pittsburgh and State of Pennsylvania, on the twenty-fifth day of January, being the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, Doctor of Divinity, Presbyterian, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of Pittsburgh and State of Pennsylvania aforesaid, on the twenty-fifth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two.

WM. BACON STEVENS, <i>Consecrator.</i>	[SEAL.]
I. HELLMUTH, D.D., D.C.L.,	[SEAL.]
<i>Bishop of Huron.</i>	} <i>Assisting.</i>
M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE,	
<i>Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.</i>	
G. T. BEDELL,	} <i>Presenters.</i>
JOHN SCARBOROUGH,	
<i>Bishop of New Jersey.</i>	
GEO. W. PETERKIN, <i>Bishop of West Virginia.</i>	[SEAL.]

CXXX.

DAVID BUEL KNICKERBACKER, D.D.

DIOCESE OF INDIANA.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Arthur Cleveland Coxe, D.D., LL.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Western New York; assisted by the Right Rev. Theodore Benedict Lyman, D.D., Bishop of North Carolina; and the Right Rev. Charles Franklin Robertson, D.D., Bishop of Missouri; as also by the Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereunto subscribed, — under the protection of Almighty God, in the Church of St. Mark in the city of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, on the fourteenth day of October, being the twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, Presbyter, Doctor of Divinity, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Indiana.

Given under our hand and seals, in the city of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania aforesaid, on the fourteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

A. CLEVELAND COXE, [SEAL.]

*Bishop of Western New York, Consecrator.*THEO. B. LYMAN, } *Assistants.*

CHARLES FRANKLIN ROBERTSON, }

JOHN MEDLEY, [SEAL.]

*Bishop of Fredericton, and Metropolitan.*

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, [SEAL.]

*Bishop of New Jersey.*GEO. F. SEYMOUR, } *Presenters.**Bishop of Springfield.* [SEAL.]

CXXXI.

HENRY CODMAN POTTER, D.D. LL.D.

*(Assistant Bishop.)*

DIOCESE OF NEW YORK,

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Kentucky and Presiding Bishop; assisted by the Right

Rev. Thomas March Clark, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Rhode Island; and the Right Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., Bishop of Minnesota; as also by the Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereunto subscribed, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Grace Church in the city of New York, on Saturday the twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of New York, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Rev. Henry Codman Potter, Presbyter, and Doctor of Divinity, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of New York, and State of New York, aforesaid, on the twentieth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

[SEAL.]	BENJAMIN BOSWORTH SMITH,	<i>Consecrator.</i>
[SEAL.]	THOMAS MARCH CLARK,	} <i>Assistants.</i>
[SEAL.]	HENRY BENJAMIN WHIPPLE,	
[SEAL.]	M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE,	} <i>Presenters.</i>
	<i>Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.</i>	
[SEAL.]	HENRY C. LAY,	
	<i>Bishop of Easton.</i>	
[SEAL.]	JNO. WILLIAMS,	}
	<i>Bishop of Connecticut.</i>	
[SEAL.]	ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN,	
	<i>Bishop of Long Island.</i>	
[SEAL.]	WM. CROSWELL DOANE,	}
	<i>Bishop of Albany.</i>	
[SEAL.]	F. D. HUNTINGTON,	}
	<i>Bishop of Central New York.</i>	

CXXXII.

ALFRED MAGILL RANDOLPH, D.D.

*(Assistant Bishop.)*

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Alfred Lee, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Delaware; William Bell White Howe, D.D., Bishop of South Carolina; Thomas Underwood Dudley, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Kentucky; William Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Iowa; Alexander Burgess, S.T.D., Bishop of Quincy; George William Peterkin, D.D., Bishop of West Virginia, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Emmanuel Church, Baltimore, Diocese of Maryland, on Sunday the twenty-first day of October, being the twenty-second Sunday after

Trinity, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, did then and there, in the presence of divers of the Clergy and of a public congregation, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Rector of the said Emmanuel Church, Baltimore, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the Church of God; he having been duly elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this twenty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

ALFRED LEE, <i>Bishop of Delaware.</i>	[SEAL.]
WM. STEVENS PERRY, <i>Bishop of Iowa.</i>	[SEAL.]
W. B. W. HOWE, <i>Bishop of South Carolina.</i>	[SEAL.]
ALEX. BURGESS, <i>Bishop of Quincy.</i>	[SEAL.]
T. U. DUDLEY, <i>Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.</i>	[SEAL.]
GEO. W. PETERKIN, <i>Bishop of West Virginia.</i>	[SEAL.]

### CXXXIII.

WILLIAM DAVID WALKER.

#### MISSIONARY JURISDICTION OF NORTH DAKOTA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting.*

Be it known unto you that we, Thomas March Clark, D.D., LL.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Rhode Island; assisted by the Right Rev. Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Long Island; and the Right Rev. Benjamin Wistar Morris, D.D., Bishop of Oregon; also by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, — under the protection of Almighty God, in Calvary Church in the city and State of New York, on the twentieth day of December, being the third Thursday in Advent, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of New York, and of many other Dioceses, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Rev. William David Walker, Presbyterian, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God; he having been duly elected Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city and State of New York



aforesaid, on the twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

THOMAS MARCH CLARK, <i>Consecrator.</i>		[SEAL.]
ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN,	} <i>Assistants.</i>	[SEAL.]
BENJ. WISTAR MORRIS,		[SEAL.]
ROBERT H. CLARKSON,	} <i>Presenters.</i>	[SEAL.]
<i>Bishop of Nebraska.</i>		
HENRY CODMAN POTTER,		
<i>Assistant Bishop of New York.</i>		[SEAL.]
A. CLEVELAND COXE, <i>Bishop of Western New York.</i>		[SEAL.]
BENJ. H. PADDOCK, <i>Bishop of Massachusetts.</i>		[SEAL.]

Attest (the Assistant Bishop of New York subscribing only as Pre-  
 senter): J. H. HOBART, *Registrar.*

## APPENDIX XVI.

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### CHANGES IN THE CANONS ADOPTED AT THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1883.

WE do hereby certify that the following are the changes made in the Canons by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, held in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the month of October, A.D. 1883.

Attest:

WM. BACON STEVENS, <i>Bishop of Pennsylvania.</i>	} <i>Committee on the part of the House of Bishops.</i>
WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, <i>Bishop of Iowa.</i>	
ALFRED A. WATSON, D.D.,	} <i>Committee on the part of the House of Deputies.</i>
FRANCIS HARISON, S.T.D.,	

Title I., Canon 5, § i., [1.], is amended so as to read as follows:—

§ i. [1.] No Candidate who may be refused Holy Orders, in any Diocese, shall be ordained in any other Diocese, except by renewal of candidateship, under the provisions of Canon 2; but he may be allowed part or all the time of the previous candidateship at the discretion of the Bishop, and with the approval of the Standing Committee of the Diocese; *Provided*, that before Ordination he shall be a Candidate in such Diocese for not less than six months.

Title I., Canon 9, was amended so as to read as follows:—

#### TITLE I., CANON 9.

##### *Of Lay Readers.*

§ i. A Lay Communicant of this Church may receive from the Bishop a written license to conduct the service of the Church in a congregation convened for public worship, as a Lay Reader; but such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity, to secure the services of an ordained Minister. Such license may be given by the Bishop, of his own motion, for service in any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Rector is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Bishop. Such license must be given for a definite period not longer than one year from its date; but

it may be renewed from time to time by the Bishop's indorsement to that effect. The license of any Lay Reader may be revoked at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ ii. A Lay Reader so licensed shall not act as such in any Diocese other than his own, unless he shall have received another license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve. If he be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution.

§ iii. Every Lay Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, or, where there is no Minister in charge, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall not use the Absolution, nor the Benediction, nor the Offices of the Church, except those for the Burial of the Dead, and for Visitation of the Sick and of Prisoners, omitting in these last the Absolutions and Benedictions. He shall not deliver Sermons of his own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation. He shall not, without urgent reason, read any part of the Service, except the Lessons, when a Clergyman is present. This Canon shall not prevent students in any college or seminary from reading such parts of the Chapel Services as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Presiding Officer.

Title I., Canon 15, § ii., [2.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Title I., Canon 15, Section iii., [1.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted; and, if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [3.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

[3.] In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

Title I., Canon 15, Section vii., [4.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

[4.] The jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him. Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen, communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such Jurisdiction, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed: *Provided*, That no Standing Committee constituted under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his Jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee may make presentment; *Provided*, That the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters; and if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his Jurisdiction (excluding the members of the Standing Committee, and the accused), the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

[7.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating his Missionary appointment: *Provided*, That he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

[8.] Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary Jurisdiction; and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions.

Title I., Canon 15, Section viii., [7.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

[7.] Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint a Standing Committee consisting of not less than two nor more than five Presbyters, resident within his Jurisdiction; and if he shall find it practicable and advisable, of an equal number of Lay Communicants; which Standing Committee shall have, so far as the circumstances of the Jurisdiction permit, the powers and duties provided for by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for the government of such Jurisdiction. In case of the absence of the Bishop from his Jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Epis-

copate, said Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction.

Title I., Canon 15, Section ix., [2.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

§ ix. [2.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

Title I., Canon 15, Section xv., [2.] and [3.], were amended so as to read as follows:—

§ xv. [2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is, for the time, under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Assistant Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled; until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

(3.) No Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.

Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., [4.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

[4.] No Diocesan or Assistant Bishop, whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation, by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

Title I., Canon 15, Section xvii., [1.], was amended so as to read as follows:—

§ xvii. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether domestic or foreign), the House of Bishops

shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and, in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop as aforesaid. And, if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

Title I., Canon 16, was amended so as to read as follows:—

#### CANON 16.

##### *Of a List of the Ministers of this Church*

§ i. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him in the following manner, that is to say: Every Bishop of this Church, or, where there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of October of each year, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Dioceses, annexing the names of their respective cures or stations; or, in regard to those who have not any cures, their places of residence only; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to take care for the authorized publication of this list, before the 1st of January in every year, in such manner as he shall deem best.

§ ii. And, further, the Secretary shall obtain in the same manner, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, a list, with particulars of time and place, of all Ministers belonging to the Diocese, who have been ordained to the Diaconate or the Priesthood, or have died, or have been deposed, since the preceding General Convention; and the said list shall, from time to time, be published in the Journal of the General Convention.

§ iii. And, further, it is recommended to the several Bishops of this Church, and to the several Standing Committees, that, during the intervals between the meetings of the General Convention, they take such means of notifying the admission of Ministers among them as, in their discretion respectively, they shall think effectual to the purpose of preventing ignorant and unwary people from being imposed on by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church.



Title II., Canon 1, was amended by the addition of a Section to be numbered § v., and to be read as follows:—

§ v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted in any Court of Record of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any Court of Record, in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.

Title II., Canon 2, Section ii., was amended so as to read as follows:—

§ ii. If a Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumour, of habitually neglecting the exercise of the Ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the Holy Eucharist according to the Offices of this Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offences enumerated in Section i., it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumour. And, in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or deposed, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

Title II., Canon 11, Section ii., was amended so as to read as follows:—

§ ii. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

1. That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

2. That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own, and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission and their consent thereto.

3. That, before remitting such sentence, he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

4. That in case such person was deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or, having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its Communion, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay-communion with this Church for one year next preceding his application for such remission; and,

5. That, in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.

Title III., Canon 3, "*Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund*," was repealed.

In Title III., Canons 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 are to be numbered respectively 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

Title III., Canon 9 (to be re-numbered 8), was amended so as to read as follows :—

### CANON 8.

*Of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

§ i. The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows :—

*Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as established in 1820, and since amended at various times.*

ARTICLE I. This institution shall be denominated The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ARTICLE II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, and the members for the time being of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to the said House of Deputies, and the members of the Board of Managers as hereinafter described. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the session of the General Convention, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand.

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Board of Managers, comprising all the Bishops, the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed by the Board of Missions or by the Board of Managers, and fifteen Presbyters and fifteen Laymen, to be appointed by the Board of Missions at every triennial meeting of the General Convention, who shall have the management of the General Missions of this Church, and shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. Eight Clerical members and eight Lay members shall constitute a quorum ; but, whenever demanded by three members, a majority of the Bishops present, and a majority of the Clerical members present, and a majority of the Lay members present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board. This Board of Managers shall, when the Board of Missions is not in session, exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Board of Managers shall report to the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention. But nothing herein contained shall affect the rights of any surviving life-members of the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form, from its own members, a Committee for Domestic Missions and a Committee for Foreign Missions, and such other Committees as it may deem desirable to promote special Missionary work; and is also authorized to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on the work.

ARTICLE VI. The Board of Managers is intrusted with power to establish and regulate such Missions as are not placed under Episcopal supervision, and to enact all by-laws which it may deem necessary for its own government and for the government of its committees: *Provided, always,* That, in relation to organized Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions having Bishops, the appropriations shall be made in gross to such Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, to be disbursed by the local authorities thereof. The Board shall notify to the several Bishops the gross sums so appropriated; and those Bishops shall regulate the number of Mission Stations, appoint the Missionaries, and assign to them their stipends, with the approval of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of this country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at the same time and place as the General Convention, and at such other times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send one Clerical and one Lay Delegate.

ARTICLE IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of this Church.

§ ii. All Canons, and all action by or under the authority of the General Convention, so far as inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon and of such amended Constitution, are hereby repealed: *Provided, however,* that nothing herein shall in any manner impair or affect any corporate rights of the said Society, or any vested right whatever.

§ iii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

A Standing Order of the House of Deputies, "Of Delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions," was amended so as to read as follows:—

## STANDING ORDER.

### *Of Delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions.*

(Adopted by the House of Deputies, October 24, 1871; and amended October 27, 1880, and also amended October, 1883.)

*Resolved,* That one Clerical and one Lay Delegate, to be chosen by any Convocation of all the Clergy and representatives of the Laity, convoked by the authority of the Bishop of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, shall have seats assigned to them in this House, with similar

privileges to those of Deputies, except that they shall have no vote on any question or matter; and that this be a Standing Order of the House.

JOINT COMMITTEE TO CERTIFY THE CHANGES MADE IN THE CANONS BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HELD IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, PENN., IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, A.D. 1883.

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<i>Bishop of Pennsylvania.</i>	
WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, D.D., LL.D.,	}
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ALFRED A. WATSON, D.D.,	} Committee on the part of the House of Deputies.
FRANCIS HARISON, S.T.D.,	

## APPENDIX XVII.

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### RULES OF ORDER.—HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

*Adopted* 1859. *Amended* 1862, 1868, 1871, 1874, 1877, 1880, and 1883.

#### FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

1. The House shall meet for business immediately after the opening Divine Services of the General Convention, and shall be called to order by the Presiding Bishop, or, in his absence, by the senior Bishop present.

2. Any Bishop, appearing in the House of Bishops for the first time after his consecration, shall then be presented to the President by one or more Bishops; and, if such be present, by one or more Bishops who took part in his consecration.

3. The roll of members shall be called by the Secretary, or the Assistant Secretary of the Session of the House last preceding, or, in their absence, by a Secretary appointed *pro tem*.

4. If any member or members of this House shall have died since its last meeting, the Presiding Bishop shall then announce, without word or comment, the fact and the date of such death, after which he shall say the Collect for All Saints' Day.

5. The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary. If but one candidate be nominated, the election shall be *viva voce*; if more than one, by ballot.

6. With the approbation of the Presiding Officer, the Secretary may, at any period of the session, appoint an Assistant Secretary.

7. The House shall then proceed to elect a Chairman of the House, who shall be Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, and in his absence, or at his request, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House. He shall continue in office until the General Convention following that in which he was elected, and shall give the Presiding Bishop such aid in the interval between said Conventions as the Presiding Bishop shall request.

#### DAILY ORDER.

I. Bishops shall be selected by lot on the first day of the session, whose duty it shall be, in the order of such selection, to take charge of the united Morning Service of the General Convention.

II. The House shall meet for business one hour after the hour appointed for the said Morning Service, unless otherwise ordered at the previous adjournment. When the President shall have taken the chair, new members may be introduced, as on the first day. The roll shall then be called, after which the House shall be bidden to prayer by the President; but,

after the third day of the Session, the roll shall not be called, unless by order of the House. The Minutes of the last meeting shall then be read by the Secretary, and acted upon by the House.

III. On the second day of the session, after Prayers, the Presiding Bishop shall lay before the House a statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention.

IV. On days when the Bishops are expected to meet with the Deputies and others in the Board of Missions, during any part of the forenoon, the first business shall be the consideration of such matters as the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report as urgently demanding attention. After that shall follow consideration of Messages from the House of Deputies not disposed of, and a call for reports from Standing Committees; then may follow any other business for which time shall remain. If the Board of Missions shall adjourn before the customary hour for adjournment of the House of Bishops, the House shall resume its sitting. Any part of this rule may be suspended by a majority vote.

V. The business of the House shall be disposed of in the order following: —

- a. Communications from the President.
- b. Petitions and memorials.
- c. Messages from the House of Deputies not yet disposed of.
- d. Reports from Standing Committees, in the order in which the Committees are named in the Second General Rule.
- e. Reports of Commissions.
- f. Reports from Special Committees.
- g. Miscellaneous business.

VI. The Order of the Day shall be taken up at the hour appointed, unless postponed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare and place upon the table in front of his desk, each morning after the opening of the House, a Calendar of all Orders of the Day not yet discharged.

VII. Bishops invited to honorary seats may be introduced by the President whenever no other business occupies the House.

#### GENERAL RULES.

I. As an indication of our humble dependence upon the Word and Spirit of God, and following the example of Primitive Councils, a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall always be reverently placed in view at the meetings of this House.

II. Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman of the House, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on the Committee shall act as its Chairman. The Standing Committees, to be announced not later than the third day of the session, shall be as follows: —

1. On the Prayer Book.
2. On Amendments to the Constitution.
3. On Canons.
4. On the Pastoral Letter, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be Chairman.
5. On the conduct of all Religious Services connected with the Convention.
6. On Domestic Missions.
7. On Foreign Missions.



8. On Christian Education.
9. On the Consecration of Bishops.
10. On the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.
11. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
12. On the General Theological Seminary.
13. On Memorials and Petitions.
14. On Unfinished Business.
15. On Despatch of Business.

Each of these Committees shall consist of not more than five nor less than three members, at the discretion of the Chairman of the House, except that the Committee on Canons shall consist of seven members.

III. No memorial, petition, or address shall come before this House, unless presented by the Chairman of the House, or some other Bishop present.

IV. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be considered as before the House until seconded.

V. Members in discussion shall address the Chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

VI. Every member present shall, on a division, be counted, unless personally interested in the question to be decided. When, in taking a question, the President's vote produces a tie, the motion shall be considered as lost.

VII. The ayes and nays may be required by any three members, and shall in such cases be entered on the Journal.

VIII. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. Motions to lay upon the table and adjourn shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

IX. On motion, duly put and carried, the House may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, when a Chairman of the same shall be elected. The junior Bishop present shall act as Clerk of the Committee, and make a record of its action.

X. Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received, of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted by vote of the House. Reports, recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House, shall be accompanied by specific resolutions.

XI. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

XII. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate, but appeal may be taken from such decision. On such appeal no member shall speak more than once without express leave of the House.

XIII. Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject differing from the one under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

XIV. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment

of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session of the Convention, except with the consent of two-thirds of the House. A motion to reconsider can only be made by one who voted with the majority on the previous determination of the question.

XV. Messages from the House of Deputies shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient. Committees from the House of Deputies shall be admitted immediately.

XVI. The Committee on Despatch of Business shall each day, before the adjournment of the House, report any action of the House of Deputies which is liable to acquire the effect of law without the concurrence of this House.

XVII. Two of the Bishops shall be appointed by the Chair to act with the Secretary in preparing daily reports of the action of this House, and furnishing them, at their discretion, to public journalists.

XVIII. It shall be competent to the House of Bishops to convene as, or, being convened, to resolve itself into, a Council of Bishops, at which only members of the House of Bishops shall be present, and in which one of the members of said House, chosen for that purpose, shall act as Clerk.

XIX. Bishops admitted to honourary seats shall be conducted to the seats assigned to them by the Bishops who introduce them; and, except when privileged business is before the House, or when this House resolves itself into a Council of Bishops, shall at all times be entitled to be present.

XX. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

XXI. These Rules shall be in force, in subsequent sessions of this House, until otherwise ordered.

#### STANDING ORDERS OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

*Adopted 1832. Amended 1877-1883.*

1. The senior Bishop of the Church present at any General Convention is the Presiding Bishop in the House of Bishops.

2. The senior Bishop of this Church is the Presiding Bishop for all other purposes contained in the Canons.

3. The senior Bishop of this Church present at any Consecration of a Bishop is the Presiding Bishop for that solemnity, unless some other Bishop shall have been assigned to such service on any special occasion by the Presiding Bishop, or, in his absence, by the Bishops present at the Consecration.

4. Seniority among the Bishops is according to the time of the Consecration of each Bishop.

5. Two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each General Convention to take charge, together with the Secretary of the House of Bishops, of the journal of its proceedings, and to see that the whole, or such parts of it as the House may direct, be entered in its proper place in the Journal of the General Convention.

6. The House of Bishops shall assemble on every morning during the period of the General Convention, except the Lord's Day, for business, unless adjournment beyond that morning has been ordered by vote of the House.

A correct copy. Attest:

W. TATLOCK, *Secretary of the House of Bishops.*

## APPENDIX XVIII.

### RULES OF ORDER.—HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

*Adopted, 1880. Amended, 1883.*

Title III., Canon 1, § i.

[4.] The Rules and Orders of the House of Deputies shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed by the said House.

1. The daily sessions of this House shall be opened with the Morning Service of the Church.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterward stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. When the President shall have taken the chair, the Roll of Members shall be called, and the Minutes of the preceding day read; but the same may be dispensed with by a majority of the House, to be decided without debate.

4. At the opening of the session, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees, to wit:—

I. On the State of the Church, to consist of one member from each Diocese; and

II. On the General Theological Seminary.

III. On Missions.

IV. On the Admission of New Dioceses.

V. On the Consecration of Bishops.

VI. On Amendments to the Constitution.

VII. On Canons.

VIII. On Expenses.

IX. On Unfinished Business.

X. On Elections.

XI. On the Prayer Book.

XII. On Education under the Auspices and Control of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

XIII. On Memorials of Deceased Members.

(Each to consist of thirteen members.)

XIV. On Rules of Order (to consist of five members); to which Committee shall be referred, without debate, all proposed amendments to the Rules of Order.

5. The Daily Order of Business shall be as follows:—

I. Reading the Minutes.

II. Communications from the President.

### III. Reports from Standing Committees, in the following order:—

1. On Elections.
2. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
3. On Rules of Order.
4. On the Consecration of Bishops.
5. On Amendments to the Constitution.
6. On Canons.
7. On the General Theological Seminary.
8. On the State of the Church.
9. On Expenses.
10. On Missions.
11. On the Prayer Book.
12. On Education under the Auspices and Control of the Protestant Episcopal Church.
13. On Unfinished Business.
14. On Memorials of Deceased Members; and
15. Special Committees in the order of appointment.

### IV. Petitions and Memorials.

### V. Motions and Resolutions.

### VI. Business on the Calendar.

6. The Secretary shall keep a Calendar of Business, on which reports from committees, resolutions which lie over, and other matters undisposed of, indicating the subject of each item, shall be placed in the order in which they are presented, a printed copy of which Calendar shall be furnished to each member.

7. At twelve o'clock, unless there be an Order of the Day, or as soon thereafter as the Order of the Day shall be disposed of, the business on the Calendar shall be taken up and disposed of, in the order in which it stands thereon; and a vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be required to take up any matter out of its order on the Calendar, or to make any matter the Order of the Day for a particular time.

8. All propositions involving expense shall be referred to the Committee on Expenses before being considered, except propositions to print.

9. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, presented to the Secretary, and by him read to the House; and no motion shall be considered before the House unless seconded.

10. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

11. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, or to amend it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the House shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered. The motions to lay upon the table, and to adjourn, shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

12. There shall be no debate upon a resolution which proposes to refer any matter to a Committee, or upon a motion to recommit any subject which has been before a Committee. But the member who offers such a resolution or motion may speak five minutes for the purpose of explaining its object. And if objection be made to the consideration of a resolution

designed for the action of the House, without reference to a Committee, it shall lie over, and come up the next day as unfinished business. But by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the House may at once consider the resolution. All messages from the House of Bishops communicating any legislative action on their part shall, without debate, be referred to the proper Committee.

13. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for both amendments may be received, which, if adopted, shall operate as an amendment to the original proposition. No proposition on a subject different from the one under consideration shall be received under colour of an amendment or substitute.

14. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division, by those who voted in the negative; and in case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and, in case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion to reconsider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative; and, in either case, a motion to reconsider shall be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either Order, without regard to its previous vote. And all motions to reconsider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

15. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommended by a vote of the House. All Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House therein.

16. No new business shall be introduced for the consideration of the House after the twelfth day of its session, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

17. Whenever the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials, or assent to his consecration, shall be considered, the House shall sit with closed doors.

18. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate; but any member may appeal from such decision, and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

19. The names of the movers of resolutions shall appear upon the Minutes of the House.

20. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question under consideration.

21. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

22. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

23. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, nor longer than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the House.

24. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

25. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair ; and before the President leaves the chair, he may make any communication to the House, or cause any notice to be read by the Secretary.

26. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

27. When memorials or petitions are presented, their contents shall be concisely stated by the Deputy presenting them, and they shall be referred or laid upon the table, unless by a majority vote the memorial or petition shall be ordered to be read.

28. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

29. No rule shall be suspended unless with the assent of two-thirds of the members present.

A correct copy. Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,  
*Secretary.*



## APPENDIX XIX.

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### JOINT RULE, ON THE POWERS OF JOINT COMMITTEES.

1. JOINT Special Committees, having made their final Report, are to be considered as having exhausted their functions, and can only be revived by the concurrent action of the two Houses.

2. It shall be the privilege of either House to refer to a Joint Committee any matter relating to the subject for which it was appointed; but neither House shall have the power, without the consent of the other, to instruct the Joint Committee as to any particular line of action.

Adopted by the House of Deputies on the twelfth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 223.)

Adopted by the House of Bishops on the seventeenth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 86.)



# Digest of the Canons

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## CONSTITUTION.

### Constitution,

ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION,

IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1789.

#### ARTICLE 1.

There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America on the first Wednesday in October, in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one ; and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention ; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention : and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for ; and this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business ; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn ; and in all business of the Convention freedom of debate shall be allowed.

#### ARTICLE 2.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity.

*General Convention.*

*Change of Place.*

*Special Meetings.*

*Quorum.*

*Freedom of Debate.*

*House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.*

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*Vote by Dioceses  
and Orders.*

*Dioceses unrepresented  
are bound.*

*House of Bishops.*

Such representation shall consist of not more than four Clergymen and four Laymen, communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

### ARTICLE 3.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies composed of Clergy and

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Laity ; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon ; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence ; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs ; and a Bishop shall then preside.

*Negative upon the  
Lower House.*

### ARTICLE 4.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese ; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal Office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal Office in another Diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

*Jurisdiction of  
Bishops.*

### ARTICLE 5.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution ; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing

*Admission of New  
Dioceses.*

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Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz. :—

*Consent required.*

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese.

*Limit of Presbyters and Parishes.*

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned: *provided*, that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

*Rights of the Diocesan and the Assistant Bishops.*

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof; and the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

*Constitution and Canons of New Dioceses.*

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Con-

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vention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

### ARTICLE 6.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

*Ecclesiastical  
Courts, Trials,  
and Sentences.*

### ARTICLE 7.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following declaration:—

*Requisites for Or-  
dination.*

I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things neces-

*Declaration.*

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sary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

*Admission of Foreign Clergy.*

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid Declaration.

## ARTICLE 8.

*The Book of Common Prayer.*

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention. *Provided, however,* That the General Convention shall have power, from time to time, to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

*Alterations or Additions, how to be made.*

*The Lectionary, how it may be amended.*



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### ARTICLE 9.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which may have adopted the same ; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified, in the ensuing General Convention.

*Alterations of this Constitution.*

### ARTICLE 10.

Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated, with the approbation of the Bishops of this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the Presiding Bishop ; he thereupon taking order for the same, and they being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen, and properly qualified : the Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the Office of Diocesan, or Assistant Bishop, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States.

*Consecration of Bishops for Foreign Countries.*

*Done in the General Convention of the Bishops,  
Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day  
of October, 1789.*

NOTE.—When the Constitution was originally adopted, in August, 1789, the first Article provided that the triennial Convention should be held

*History of Alterations.*

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| 1789. | on the first Tuesday in August. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that the second Tuesday in September, in every third year, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to the third Tuesday in May, by the General Convention of 1804. |
| 1804. | The first Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.   |
| 1841. | The second Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1856.  |
| 1856. | The third Article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.   |
| 1808. | The fourth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1874.  |
| 1874. | The fifth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1871.   |
| 1871. | The sixth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.   |
| 1841. | The second sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.   |
| 1811. | The words "or the Articles of Religion" were added to the eighth Article by the General Convention of 1829.  |
| 1829. | The third sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1877.  |
| 1877. | The tenth Article was finally agreed to, and ratified, in the General Convention of 1844.  |
| 1844. | The Convention of 1838 adopted the following alterations, to wit:—   |
| 1838. | Striking out the word "States" wherever it occurred in the first and second Articles, except where   |

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it followed the word "United" in the first part of the first Article, and inserting in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Striking out the word "States" wherever it occurred in the second, third, and fourth Articles, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Dioceses."

Striking out the words "or district" in the fourth Article.

Striking out the word "State" in the sixth Article, and inserting the word "Diocese."

Striking out the word "States" in the eighth Article, and inserting the word "Dioceses"; and in the eighth Article striking out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."

Striking out the word "States" in the ninth Article, and inserting the word "Dioceses." Striking out the word "State" in the ninth Article, and inserting the word "Diocesan."



**Digest of the Canons.**





# Title I.

OF THE ORDERS IN THE MINISTRY, AND OF THE  
DOCTRINE AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH.

## CANON 1.

*Of the Orders of Ministry in this Church.*

In this Church there shall always be three Orders in the Ministry, namely: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.<sup>a</sup>

*Three Orders of  
Ministry.*

## CANON 2.

*Of the Admission of Persons as Candidates for  
Holy Orders.*

§ i. All persons seeking admission to the Ministry of this Church are to be regarded as Candidates for Holy Orders, or as Postulants for admission to Candidateship.<sup>b</sup>

*Who are deemed  
Candidates, or  
Postulants.*

§ ii. [1.] Every person desiring to be admitted Candidate for Holy Orders is, in the first instance, to consult his immediate Spiritual Pastor or Rector, setting before him, freely and fully, the grounds of his desire for admission to the Ministry, together with such circumstances in his personal constitution, relations, and position, as may bear on his qualifications, or tend to affect his course of preparation.

*Consultation with  
Rector.*

<sup>a</sup> Adopted in 1789. Canon 1, 1832.

<sup>b</sup> § i, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

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*Notice of Intention.*

[2.] If counselled to persevere in his intention, such person shall then, with letter of approval and introduction from the Pastor or Rector, personally, if possible, or by letter, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese, stating whether he has ever applied for admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese; (2) whether he is prepared at once to apply for recommendation to be admitted Candidate; (3) or, if not so prepared, where he proposes to prosecute preparatory studies, and whether he expects or desires aid in such studies while a Postulant; and (4) the time and place of his Baptism, Confirmation, and first Communion: *Provided*, however, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the Bishop, for reasons satisfactory to himself, from receiving such application and notice, without such letter of approval and introduction, if the same, when applied for, be not given by such Pastor or Rector.<sup>a</sup>

*Proviso.*

*To what Bishop Application must be made.*

[3.] Such notice must be given to the Bishop of the Diocese in which the person is actually resident, and can be received by none other.<sup>b</sup>

*Transfer permitted.*

[4.] A Bishop may, at his discretion, permit the transfer of such application to the Bishop of another Diocese, for reasons seeming to him to justify such transfer.<sup>b</sup>

*An Applicant previously refused admission not to be received without a Certificate.*

[5.] A Bishop may not receive such application from a person who has been refused admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese, or who, having been admitted, has afterward ceased to be a Candi-

<sup>a</sup> § ii, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> § iv, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

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date, until he shall have caused such person to produce a certificate from the Bishop in whose Diocese he has been refused admission, or has been a Candidate, declaring the cause of refusal, or of cessation of Candidateship; and such certificate shall be laid before the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such second application shall be made.<sup>a</sup>

[6.] A Standing Committee, acting under canonical provision as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, in vacancy, or for other causes, shall be competent to receive and do all assigned to the Bishop in the foregoing clauses.<sup>b</sup>

*Standing Committee.*

§ iii. [1.] The Postulant for admission to Candidateship may at any time, after application to the Bishop duly made, apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate.<sup>b</sup>

*Application of Postulant for Candidateship.*

[2.] In order thereto, he shall, with his application, lay before the Committee *testimonials*, in the following words:

*Testimonials for Standing Committee*

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify, from our personal knowledge and belief, that A. B. is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.<sup>c</sup>

[3.] Such testimonials shall be signed either by the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of the

*to be signed by Rector and Vestry,*

<sup>a</sup> § ii, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Added, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> § v, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871.

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Parish or Congregation to which the Postulant may belong, said Vestry being duly convened, and this fact being explicitly stated on the face of the testimonials, or, in circumstances justifying such alternative, by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen, Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.<sup>a</sup>

*or Presbyter and four Laymen.*

*Committee sole judge.*

*Testimonials may be dispensed with.*

*Certificate from Standing Committee.*

[4.] The Standing Committee shall be sole judge of the propriety of receiving testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.<sup>b</sup>

[5.] A majority of members of a Standing Committee having the requisite personal knowledge of a Postulant for recommendation, may, at the discretion of the Committee, dispense with the presentation of testimonials by a Rector and Vestry, or by others of the Clergy and Laity.<sup>b</sup>

[6.] The Standing Committee, on the receipt of such testimonials, or, in its discretion, on the personal knowledge of its members, being duly satisfied that there is not sufficient objection on grounds either physical, intellectual, moral, or religious, may proceed to recommend a Postulant for admission to Candidateship, by a certificate bearing the signatures of a majority of all the members of the Committee, and addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, in the following words :

We, whose names are hereunder written, do certify that (from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before us, as the case may be) we believe that A. B. is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he

<sup>a</sup> § v, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Added, 1871.

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is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.<sup>a</sup>

[7.] In the action of the Bishop on the first application of any Postulant for admission to Candidateship, and in that of the Standing Committee on application for its recommendatory certificate, it is always understood, and it is also at proper opportunities to be made known to every Candidate, for whatever Order of the Ministry, and enforced upon his consideration, that the Church expects of all such Candidates what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard, — an inward fear and worship of Almighty God, a love of religion and a sensibility to its holy influences, a habit of devout affection, and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influences can be manifested.<sup>b</sup>

§ iv. [1.] Upon receipt of a certificate from the Standing Committee, recommending a Postulant for admission to Candidateship, the Bishop shall require such Postulant to make signification of his intention, whether it be to become a Candidate for the office and ministration of *a Deacon only*, or to be a Candidate for the *the Priesthood also*.<sup>c</sup>

[2.] If the Postulant desires to be *Candidate for Priesthood*, as well as for the Diaconate, he

*A cultivation of the fruits of the Spirit expected of Postulants and Candidates.*

*Postulant to signify intention.*

*Diploma.*

<sup>a</sup> § iii, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> § v, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> Section adopted, 1871.

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must lay before the Bishop a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence, that he is a graduate in arts of some university or college in which the learned languages are duly studied; and if the Bishop be not fully satisfied of the sufficiency of such diploma, he may remit the same, for consideration and advice, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese.<sup>a</sup>

or Examination.

[3.] But if the Postulant desiring to be Candidate for the Priesthood be not a graduate as aforesaid, he shall be remitted by the Bishop to the Examiners of Candidates for Priesthood, for examination as prescribed in the Canon of Examinations. In a case of emergency, the Bishop may appoint any two or more learned Presbyters to hold such examination.<sup>a</sup>

Admission and  
Record as Candi-  
date for Priest's  
Orders

[4.] On satisfactory evidence of a degree in arts, or report of satisfaction by examiners, the Bishop may, after personal conference with the Postulant, admit him to be a *Candidate for Priest's Orders*, and shall thereupon record his name, with the date of admission, and such other particulars as may be deemed expedient, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and forthwith give the Candidate written notice of such record.<sup>b</sup>

sufficient for Can-  
didateship for the  
Diaconate.

[5.] Such admission and notification of a Candidate for Priesthood is his sufficient admission as *Candidate for the Diaconate*, from the date of such admission and record.<sup>b</sup>

Texts to be as-  
signed by Bishop.

[6.] With the notification of his admission, every Candidate for Priest's Orders shall also re-

<sup>a</sup> Sections adopted, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Subsections enacted, 1871.



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ceive from the Bishop the assignment of texts of Scripture, upon which he is expected to prepare discourses for presentation at his examinations.<sup>a</sup>

§ v. [1.] A Postulant for admission to Candidateship desiring to become *Candidate for the office and ministration of a Deacon only*, must present to the Bishop, at the time of signification of such desire, certificates from two or more learned Presbyters, that on their personal knowledge of him, and actual examination for further satisfaction, they deem him to possess such personal qualifications, and to have attained such proficiency in the English language and learning, and in particular in the art of reading aloud, and such general acquaintance with the Holy Scriptures and the Book of Common Prayer, as justify the expectation of his usefulness in the office of Deacon, when thereto admitted, after due trial and preparation in his Candidateship: *Provided*, always, that in the case of a Postulant proposing to minister in a congregation worshipping in a language other than English, testimony of proficiency in the English language may be dispensed with.<sup>a</sup>

[2.] The Bishop, on receipt of such certificates, may admit a Postulant recommended by the Standing Committee as a *Candidate for Deacon's Orders*, and shall thereupon record his name, with the date of admission, and the names of the Presbyters signing such Certificate, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the Candidate of such record.<sup>a</sup>

*Certificates of personal qualifications.*

*Providso.*

*Admission and Record as Candidate for the Diaconate.*

<sup>a</sup> Subsections enacted, 1871.

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*Candidates for the Diaconate may become Candidates for the Priesthood.*

[3.] A Candidate for Deacon's Orders may become a *Candidate for Priest's Orders* by signifying to the Bishop his desire to be admitted such Candidate, complying with the provisions of Section iv of this Canon, and obtaining from the Bishop admission and entry in the proper record. His Candidateship shall then date from the time of such admission and entry, as notified by the Bishop.<sup>a</sup>

*So may Deacons.*

[4.] A Deacon may be admitted Candidate for Priest's Orders in the same manner.<sup>a</sup>

*Dispensation from Latin, etc.*

§ vi. [1.] When a Postulant for admission as a Candidate for Priest's Orders wishes a knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he shall communicate his wish to the Bishop.<sup>b</sup>

*Testimonial required.*

[2.] If the Bishop, on consideration of the circumstances of his case, encourage him to proceed, he shall procure and lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that in their opinion the Postulant possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence, and adding any other reason for dispensation which they may believe to exist.<sup>b</sup>

*Standing Committee may recommend.*

[3.] On the receipt of such testimonial, the Standing Committee, by a vote of two thirds of all

<sup>a</sup> § i, Canon 5, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Subsections enacted, 1871.

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the members thereof, may proceed to recommend the applicant to the Bishop for the dispensation asked.<sup>a</sup>

[4.] The Bishop may thereupon grant to the applicant a certificate of the dispensation required, for exhibition to his examiners.<sup>a</sup>

*Certificate.*

[5.] The Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation with a knowledge of the Hebrew language, in the case of any Candidate satisfactorily showing that its attainment by him is impracticable, and the Bishop's certificate of such dispensation shall exempt the bearer from examination on that subject only.<sup>a</sup>

*Hebrew.*

§ vii. [1.] A person not having had Episcopal Ordination, but acknowledged as an Ordained Minister or Licentiate in any other denomination of Christians, may become a Candidate for Holy Orders in this Church.

*Application by a Minister of another denomination.*

[2.] Such person must give notice of his desire to become Candidate to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he may be resident, stating, 1st, whether he has applied for admission as Candidate in any other Diocese; and, 2d, the ground and reasons of his desire; and, 3d, furnishing sufficient evidence of his standing in the denomination in which he has been Minister or Licentiate.

*Notice to Diocesan.*

[3.] With the aforesaid notice of desire must be forwarded a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, from personal knowledge of the Postulant, or from satisfac-

*Certificate.*

<sup>a</sup> Subsections enacted, 1871.

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tory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

*Application to Standing Committee.*

[4.] If, on receipt of such notice and certificate, the Bishop authorize further procedure, the Postulant may apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation; in order to which he must lay before the Committee, —

*Testimonial from twelve persons.*

(1) A testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons — in part of the denomination from which he comes, and in part of this Church — satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the Postulant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

*Testimonial from two Presbyters.*

(2) A testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

*Bishop and Standing Committee to proceed.*

[5.] The Standing Committee and Bishop may then proceed as provided for in Section iii and Section iv of this Canon.<sup>a</sup>

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[6.] Should the Postulant, applying as an ordained Minister or Licentiate of another denomination, not be a citizen of the United States, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, with the notice of his intent to become a Candidate, satisfactory evidence that he has at that time resided at least one year in the United States.<sup>a</sup>

[7.] But should such Postulant apply on the ground of a call to a Church in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, (1) the foregoing requisition may be dispensed with; and (2) it shall be in the discretion of the Bishop and Standing Committee to dispense with the testimonials required in Section ii and Section iii of this Canon, and to accept and act upon such other evidence as in the nature of the case may be obtainable, and shall seem to their judgment fully equivalent; and (3) in such case an unanimous vote of the Standing Committee, at a meeting duly convened, shall be requisite: *Provided*, also, that the Postulant shall be required to produce to the Bishop a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, testifying to the authenticity and credibility of the written evidences of his religious, moral, and literary qualifications; which certificate shall also be laid before the Standing Committee.<sup>b</sup>

§ viii. In any case when the Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese,

*Application by one who is not a citizen.*

*Testimonial and residence may be dispensed with.*

*Proviso.*

*Standing Committee competent.*

<sup>a</sup> § ix, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> A paragraph of Canon 24, of 1832; as amended, 1871.

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such Committee shall be competent to receive and do all assigned to the Bishop in Section iii, Section iv, and Section vi of this Canon.

*Definition.*

§ ix. The Bishop of the Diocese, for the purposes of this and other Canons relating to Candidates and Ordinations, shall be understood, in cases so requiring, to signify an Assistant Bishop, when so empowered under Canon 15, Section v of Title I, a Provisional Bishop, a Missionary Bishop, and any other Bishop canonically in charge of a Diocese, Missionary District, or Congregation in foreign parts.

*Canons to apply generally.*

§ x. [1.] The provisions of this and other Canons respecting Candidates for Holy Orders, extend to persons coming from places in the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to, equally with others.

*To what Standing Committee application should be made.*

[2.] Any such person shall apply for recommendation (Section iii) to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the Bishop to whom his notice of intention has been given.

## CANON 3.

#### *Of Admitted Candidates.*

*Supervision of Candidates.*

§ i. [1.] The superintendence of a Candidate for Holy Orders, and direction of his theological studies, pertain to the Bishop of the Diocese.

*In vacant Dioceses.*

[2.] In a Diocese, vacant or otherwise canonically under the Ecclesiastical Authority of the



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Standing Committee, the Clerical Members of such Committee shall exercise said superintendence and direction.

[3.] Care shall be taken that the Candidate shall pursue his studies diligently, and under proper direction; and that he do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most likely to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become a person preparing for the Holy Ministry.<sup>a</sup>

*Care to be taken.*

§ ii. [1.] A Candidate once admitted must remain in connection with the Diocese in which he has been admitted until his ordination, except as hereinafter provided.

*No transfer allowed,*

[2.] Letters of dismissal to the jurisdiction of any other Bishop of this Church may be given him by the Bishop, upon actual change of residence, or for other good and sufficient reasons, established as such to the satisfaction of the Bishop.

*save for sufficient cause.*

[3.] The convenience of attending any theological or other seminary shall not be held to be such sufficient reason or ground of change of residence.<sup>b</sup>

*What is not a sufficient reason.*

§ iii. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be allowed to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy to the House of Deputies of the General Convention.<sup>c</sup>

*Candidates not eligible in General Convention.*

<sup>a</sup> § xi, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> §§ xiv, xv, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> § xiii, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

#### *Of Examinations.*

*Candidates may  
be licensed as Lay  
Readers.*

§ iv. [1.] A Candidate for Holy Orders may be licensed by the Bishop to perform the Service of the Church as a Lay Reader in his own Diocese, but in no other.

*Restrictions and  
conditions.*

[2.] Without such license a Candidate may not take upon himself such functions.

[3.] With the consent of his own Bishop, a Candidate may receive such license as a Lay Reader, for temporary use, from any other Bishop, for the Diocese of such Bishop only.

[4.] A Candidate so licensed shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop licensing him may prescribe.

[5.] He shall also be bound to conformity to all the other restrictions and regulations of the Canon "of Lay Readers."<sup>a</sup>

*Candidates to  
make quarterly  
reports.*

§ v. [1.] Every Candidate for Holy Orders shall report himself to the Bishop, personally or by letter, once at least in every three months, giving account of his manner of life and progress in theological studies.

[2.] Failure to make such report, not satisfactorily accounted for to the Bishop, shall be ground of refusal of admission to Holy Orders.<sup>b</sup>

## CANON 4.

#### *Of Examinations.<sup>c</sup>*

*Examining  
Chaplains.*

§ i. In each Diocese there shall be two or more Examining Chaplains, to be appointed by the

<sup>a</sup> § xii, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Section enacted 1871.

<sup>c</sup> Canon of 1871.

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Bishop, and holding their office at his discretion.

§ ii. [1.] *An examination of the literary qualifications* of a Postulant or Candidate shall extend to his knowledge of the English language and literature, and at least the first principles and general outlines of logic, rhetoric, mental and moral philosophy, physics and history, and the Latin and Greek languages.

*Extent of literary examination.*

[2.] A distinct report of the subjects of examination, and the satisfaction given in each, shall be made by the Examining Chaplains.

*Report to be made.*

[3.] The examination may be adjourned, or repeated after an assigned period, at the discretion of the Examining Chaplains.

*Examination may be adjourned.*

[4.] Such examination shall be made as prescribed in Canon 2, Section iv, [3.]

*To conform to previous requirements.*

§ iii. [1.] *The examination of a Candidate for the office and ministration of a Deacon* only shall be so conducted as may most thoroughly ascertain the extent of his acquaintance with the Holy Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments—in every part of which he shall be required to be well versed—and also his familiarity with the Book of Common Prayer, in all its parts and adjuncts, and with the Book of Articles.

*Examination for the Diaconate only.*

[2.] The Candidate shall also be examined as to his sufficiency for the edifying performance of the Service of the Church, and for the ministration of the office of a Deacon, in all its parts and functions.

*Performance of the Service.*

### *Of Examinations.*

*Examination of a Candidate who has been a Minister in another denomination,*

[3.] If the Candidate be one who, not having had Episcopal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained or licensed Minister in any other denomination of Christians, he shall also be examined on those points in which the denomination whence he comes differs from this Church, with a view of testing his information and soundness in the same.

*to be conducted by the Examining Chaplains.*

[4.] This examination shall always be conducted by the Examining Chaplains, the Bishop being present at his discretion.

*Three Examinations for the Priesthood.*

§ iv. [1.] There shall be assigned to every *Candidate for Priest's Orders* three different examinations, at such times and places as the Examining Chaplains shall appoint.

*Not to be accumulated.*

[2.] Except for extraordinary reasons of great urgency, these examinations shall not be accumulated into one, but shall each be assigned as the business of a separate day.

*In part oral, in part in writing.*

[3.] Each examination shall be conducted in part orally, and in part by questions or themes propounded in writing, to which written answers shall be made, in presence of one or more of the Examining Chaplains.

*Questions may be previously communicated.*

[4.] At the discretion of the Examining Chaplains, such written questions or themes may, or may not, be previously communicated to the Candidate.

*Sermons to be produced.*

[5.] At each examination the Candidate shall produce, and read, a Sermon or Discourse, composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture assigned to him for that purpose by the Bishop,

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and shall also hand in two other Sermons or Discourses on some passage or passages of Scripture selected by himself; all which Sermons or Discourses shall be submitted to the criticisms of the Examining Chaplains.

[6.] At either or all of the examinations, the Examining Chaplains may, and at some one of them, at least, shall, subject the Candidate to such proof of his ability to conduct the Service of the Church in an edifying manner, and to deliver his Sermons with propriety and effectiveness, as shall fully satisfy them of his competence for the public duties of the Holy Ministry.

*Proof of ability as a reader and speaker to be given.*

[7.] If the Candidate be one who, not having had Episcopal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained or licensed Minister in any other denomination of Christians, and be not yet admitted to Deacon's Orders, he shall, at the first examination, be also examined on those points in which the denomination whence he comes differs from this Church, with a view of testing his information and soundness in the same.

*Examination of one previously a member of any other denomination.*

[8.] No examination at any theological or other literary institution shall be held to be equivalent to any one or more Canonical examinations, or allowed to supersede the same; nor shall any certificate of graduation or diploma from any theological or other literary institution be held to be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the Diocesan examinations of a Candidate.

*Examinations by Examining Chaplains not to be superseded.*

§ v. *The three examinations shall be, —*

### *Of Examinations.*

*The first examination.*

[1.] *The first examination*, on the Books of Scripture, the Candidate being required to give an account of the different Books, to translate from the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him.

*Dispensations.*

[2.] In cases of Candidates having dispensations from Latin, Greek, or Hebrew, and other branches of learning not strictly Ecclesiastical, the *first examination* shall extend only to the knowledge of the text and interpretation of the English Bible, with such other matters as are comprised in what are commonly known as Introductions to the Holy Scriptures.

*The second.*

[3.] *The second examination* shall be on the Evidences of Christianity, Christian Ethics, and Systematic Divinity.

*The third.*

[4.] *The third examination* shall be on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer — its history and contents, and the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and those of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs.

*Course of study.*

[5.] In all these examinations reference shall be had, as closely as possible, to the course of study established by the House of Bishops, and to the books therein recommended, or equivalent works of more recent date.

*The Bishop may take part and preside at such examinations,*

§ vi. [1.] The Bishop, at his discretion, may take part and preside in either or all of the examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.

*and may invite the presenting Presbyter to attend.*

[2.] The Bishop may also invite the presence and assistance, at any such examination, of any Presbyter to whom he may desire to assign the



*Of Examinations.*

duty of presenting one or more of the Candidates for ordination.

[3.] If any Candidate for Priest's Orders be not examined by the Bishop in at least one of the examinations by the Examining Chaplains, he shall, before his ordination, be examined by the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the subjects above prescribed.

*Must be present at one examination.*

[4.] A Candidate ordained for a Diocese vacant or canonically under the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Standing Committee, shall, besides the examination by the Examining Chaplains, be again examined by the Bishop to whom he shall be recommended for ordination, and two or more Presbyters, on the studies prescribed by this Canon.

*Reëxamination.*

§ vii. [1.] The examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders may take place either before or after ordination to the Diaconate.

*When examinations for the Priesthood may take place.*

[2.] Their satisfactory passage by the Candidate shall be his sufficient examination for Deacon's Orders: *Provided*, that if the Bishop shall not have taken part in one or more of such examinations, then the Candidate shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters in the mode prescribed in Section iii of this Canon.

*If passed, sufficient for Deacon's Orders.*

[3.] The satisfactory passage of the *first* examination for Priest's Orders alone shall suffice for the admission of the Candidate to Deacon's Orders: *Provided* as above, and *further provided* that, in any case, before ordination, he be examined by the

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Bishop and at least two Presbyters on his familiarity with the Book of Common Prayer, in all its parts and adjuncts, and with the text of the Book of Articles; and that such examination on the Prayer Book be not held to have satisfied in his case the requisitions of the *third* examination for Priest's Orders.

*Certificate required.*

§ viii. Satisfaction given in any examination shall, in every case, be certified in writing to the Bishop, with the signatures of the examiners.

*Disqualification of Candidate.*

§ ix. Violation of any of the provisions of this Canon shall disqualify for ordination the Candidate implicated, and shall also subject any other party concerned to canonical procedure and censure.

*Examinations must be passed within a certain period.*

§ x. [1.] A Candidate for Priest's Orders must apply for at least his *first* and *second* examinations within three years, and his *third* within five years from his admission, or else assign, to the Bishop, causes which he shall deem satisfactory for failure so to do.

[2.] For contravention of this rule the name of the offender shall be stricken from the list of Candidates, after due warning by the Bishop.

## CANON 5.

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*Previous application in another Diocese.*

§ i. [1.] No Candidate who may be refused Holy Orders, in any Diocese, shall be ordained in any other Diocese, except by renewal of Candidateship, under the provisions of Canon 2; but he may be allowed part or all the time of his previous candi-

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dateship at the discretion of the Bishop, and with the approval of the Standing Committee of the Diocese; *provided*, that before ordination he shall be a Candidate in such Diocese for not less than six months.<sup>a</sup>

[2.] A Bishop who shall finally reject the application of a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall immediately notify such rejection to every Bishop and other Diocesan Ecclesiastical Authority in this Church.<sup>b</sup>

§ ii. [1.] A candidate for Holy Orders, recommended by a Standing Committee, canonically acting as Ecclesiastical Authority, if he have lately resided for a length of time, not less than one year, in any other Diocese, shall apply to the Bishop of such Diocese for ordination.

[2.] Such Candidate shall, besides his recommendation from his own Diocese, apply for recommendation from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he seeks ordination.<sup>c</sup>

§ iii. [1.] No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any Congregation or Church destitute of a Bishop, situated without the jurisdiction of the United States, except with the canonically prescribed testimonials and examinations.

[2.] Should any person so ordained desire to settle in any Congregation or Parish of this Church, he must obtain a special license therefor from the Bishop, and officiate as a Probationer for at least one year.<sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup> § i, as amended, 1883. <sup>b</sup> § xvi, Canon 3, 1856; as amended, 1871. <sup>c</sup> § vii, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871. <sup>d</sup> § xv, Canon 5, 1856; as amended, 1871.

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*Notice of rejection.*

*Candidates from vacant Dioceses.*

*Ordination of one to officiate without the jurisdiction of the United States.*

*Special license.*

### *Of the Ordination of Deacons.*

*Liability of presenting Clergymen.*

§ iv. A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Holy Orders, as specified in the Office for Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to Ecclesiastical censure.<sup>a</sup>

*Times of ordination.*

§ v. [1.] Agreeably to the practice of the primitive Church, the stated times of ordination shall be on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks, namely, the second Sunday in Lent, the Feast of Trinity, and the Sundays after the Wednesday following the 14th day of September and the 13th of December.

[2.] Occasional ordinations may be held at other times, as the Bishop shall appoint.<sup>b</sup>

## CANON 6.

### *Of the Ordination of Deacons.*

*Candidateship for the Diaconate only to continue one year.*

§ i. A Candidate for the Office and Ministration of a Deacon only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.<sup>c</sup>

*Testimonial.*

§ ii. Before the examination preceding ordination, such Candidate shall be required to present to the Bishop a testimonial from at least one Rec-

<sup>a</sup> § xii, Canon 4, 1856.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 20, 1832. In 1789 the Canon was passed without the last subsection. In 1808 this was added, and the Canon has continued unchanged since that time.

<sup>c</sup> Enacted, 1871.

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tor of a Parish, signifying the belief that he is well qualified to minister in the Office of a Deacon to the glory of God and the edification of the Church.<sup>a</sup>

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained to the Diaconate within three years from his admission, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the consent of three fourths of the Standing Committee, shall admit him to the Diaconate while yet prosecuting his course of theological studies; in which case he may be ordained at any time after the expiration of one year from his admission.<sup>b</sup>

§ iv. [1.] No person shall be ordained Deacon in this Church unless he be recommended to the Bishop for ordination by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

[2.] In order to such recommendation, the Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish or Congregation of which he is a member, or from the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant; or, if there be no organized Parish or Congregation where he has resided, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, testifying to his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, in the following words:

We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three

<sup>a</sup> § ii, Canon 4, 1856; as amended in 1862, and again in 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Enacted, 1871.

*Candidates for the Priesthood not to be ordained within three years from admission.*

*Recommendation from Standing Committee.*

*Testimonials to Standing Committee, from Minister and Vestry,*

*or twelve persons.*

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years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

*Substitute for testimonials from Minister and Vestry.*

[3.] But in case a Candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials, of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

*Personal testimonials.*

[4.] The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following words:

I [or we] do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I [or we] know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I [or we] think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my [or our] personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and, for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me [or us]. In witness whereof, I [or we] have hereunto set my [or our] hand [or hands], this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

*Testimonials from Standing Committee.*

[5.] The Standing Committee, on receipt of such testimonials, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Committee consenting, proceed



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to recommend the Candidate for ordination, by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, in the following words :

We, whose names are hereunder written, certify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials that, for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

<sup>a</sup> This testimonial shall have the signatures of all consenting to it.<sup>a</sup>

§ v. In the case of a Candidate not having had Episcopal ordination, but acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate by some other denomination of Christians, the testimonials to be laid before the Standing Committee and the testimonial given by the Committee shall be required to cover only the time since the admission of the person to a Candidateship.<sup>b</sup>

*Testimonials of  
Candidates,  
Ministers in other  
denominations,*

§ vi. The same provision shall apply to the case of a person to be ordained on the ground of a call to a Church in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language.<sup>c</sup>

*or to officiate in  
foreign languages.*

§ vii. Deacon's Orders shall not be conferred on any person under the age of twenty-one years complete.<sup>c</sup>

*Age for ordination.*

<sup>a</sup> §§ iv, v, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> § iii, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> Sections enacted, 1871.

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*Deacons subject  
to control of  
Bishop, etc.*

§ i. Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is ordained, until he receive letters of dismission therefrom to the Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority of some other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a Clergyman of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate in such places as the Bishop, or the said Clerical Members, may direct.<sup>b</sup>

*Restrictions upon  
settlement,*

§ ii. [1.] No Deacon shall be settled over a Parish or Congregation, or permitted to accept of a Chaplaincy in the United States Army or Navy,<sup>c</sup> until he shall have satisfactorily passed the three examinations required for Priest's Orders.

*and upon  
officiating.*

[2.] No Deacon shall officiate in any Parish or Congregation without the express consent of the Rector for the time being, where there is a Rector; nor in any case without the assent of the Bishop; and when officiating in the Parish or Congregation of a Rector, he shall be entirely subject to the direction of such Rector, in all his ministrations.<sup>d</sup>

*Subject to the  
Rector,*

*without request  
of Bishop.*

§ iii. No Deacon, who shall not have passed the examinations required for Priest's Orders, shall be

<sup>a</sup> Canon 6, 1859.

<sup>b</sup> § xi, Canon 4, 1856.

<sup>c</sup> This phrase touching Chaplaincies was added in 1862.

<sup>d</sup> § ix, Canon 4, 1856.

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transferred to another Diocese without the written request of the Bishop to whose jurisdiction he is to be transferred.<sup>a</sup>

## CANON 8.

*Of the Ordination of Priests.*

§ i. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination of Christians, may be allowed as part of the duration of his Candidateship, by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a Student of Theology, or Candidate in such other denomination: *Provided*, that the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.<sup>b</sup>

*Period of previous study allowed Candidates from other denominations.*

§ ii. A Candidate for Priesthood shall not be ordained within three years from his admission, nor, in any case, within one year from his reception of Deacon's Orders, except by the advice and consent of three fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, at a meeting duly convened.<sup>c</sup>

*Duration of Candidateship.*

§ iii. No person shall be ordained a Priest unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate from some Church, Parish, or Congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their Minister; or unless he be a

*Title for Orders.*

<sup>a</sup> § x, Canon 4, 1856.    <sup>b</sup> § vi, Canon 5, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> Section enacted 1871.

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Missionary under the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belongs or in the employment of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a Professor, Tutor, or Instructor of youth in some College, Academy, or other Seminary of learning, duly incorporated, or as a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States.<sup>a</sup>

*Recommendation required.*

§ iv. [1.] No person shall be ordained a Priest in this Church unless he be recommended to the Bishop for ordination by the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

*Testimonials to Standing Committee from Minister and Vestry.*

[2.] In order to such recommendation, the Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides; or, if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish (a Deacon desirous of Priest's Orders), from the Vestry alone, in the following words:

We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

*Substitution allowed.*

[3.] But in case peculiar circumstances, not affecting his moral character, or the want of a Vestry

<sup>a</sup> § x, Canon 5, 1856; as amended in 1862.

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where he is residing or ministering, should hinder the procurement of testimonials as above, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials, of the same tenor, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

[4.] The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial signed by at least one Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form :

*Personal  
testimonial.*

I do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, has lived piously, soberly, and honestly ; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church ; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

[5.] The Standing Committee, on receipt of such testimonials, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Committee consenting, proceed to recommend the Candidate for ordination, by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop, in the following words :

*Testimonial from  
Standing Committee.*

We, whose names are underwritten, members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of —, do testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials that, for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly ; and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church ; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

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This testimonial shall have the signatures of all consenting to it.<sup>a</sup>

*Candidates from other denominations.*

§ v. Candidates for the Priesthood, ordained Deacons under Section v or Section vi of Canon 6, shall not be required to have testimonials covering more time than has elapsed since their admission to Candidateship.<sup>b</sup>

*Or those ordained Deacons.*

§ vi. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, ordained Deacon within three years preceding the time of his application for recommendation for ordination to the Priesthood, shall only be required to have testimonials extending back to the time of his ordination: *Provided*, nothing shall have in the mean while occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained a Deacon.<sup>c</sup>

*Proviso.*

*Age of ordination.*

§ vii. Priest's Orders shall not be conferred on any person until he shall have attained the age of twenty-four years complete.<sup>d</sup>

## CANON 9.

#### *Of Lay Readers.\**

*Written license may be given by the Bishop.*

§ i. A Lay Communicant of this Church may receive from the Bishop a written license to conduct the service of the Church in a Congregation convened for public worship, as a Lay Reader; but such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity,

*Limitations.*

<sup>a</sup> §§ v, vii, viii, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> § iii, Canon 4, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> § ix, Canon 5, 1856; as amended, 1871.

<sup>d</sup> § Section enacted 1871. \* Canon of 1871; as amended, 1883.



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to secure the services of an ordained Minister. Such license may be given by the Bishop, of his own motion, for service in any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Rector is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Bishop. Such license must be given for a definite period not longer than one year from its date; but it may be renewed from time to time by the Bishop's indorsement to that effect. The license of any Lay Reader may be revoked at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

*Only given for a definite period.*

*License revocable.*

§ ii. A Lay Reader so licensed shall not act as such in any Diocese other than his own, unless he shall have received another license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve. If he be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution.

*Restrictions.*

§ iii. Every Lay Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, or, where there is no Minister in charge, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall not use the Absolution, nor the Benediction, nor the Offices of the Church, except those for the Burial of the Dead, and for Visitation of the Sick and of Prisoners, omitting in these last the Absolutions and Benedictions. He shall not deliver Sermons of his

*Lay Reader subject to the Ecclesiastical Authority.*

*And the Minister in charge.*

*Directions and restrictions.*

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own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation. He shall not without urgent reason read any part of the Service, except the Lessons, when a Clergyman is present. This Canon shall not prevent students in any college or seminary from reading such parts of the Chapel Services as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Presiding Officer.

## CANON 10.

### *Of Ministers Ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.*

*Ministers ordained in foreign countries by Bishops in communion with this Church.*

*Certificate.*

§ i. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to have been ordained out of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article 10 of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the United States, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister to the Vestry thereof, a certificate signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee duly convened, that his letters of Holy Orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowl-

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edged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and of his theological acquirements; and in any case, before he shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee thereof, a letter of dismissal from under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section vii of Canon 14 of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismissal was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church: *Provided*, that no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, said Bishop or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same: *Provided, also*, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the

*Letter dismissory.**Subscription.**One year's residence.*

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## CANON 11.

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same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission.

*Foreign Deacons.*

§ ii. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.<sup>a</sup>

## CANON 11.

### *Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.*

*Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church shall produce certificate.*

When a Deacon or Priest ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a minister thereof, he shall produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church stating that, from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged, has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the ministry in this Church; and he shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him as such Minister.<sup>b</sup>

*Shall subscribe declaration in Art. 7.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 9, 1844; amended, 1868.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 10, 1841.

CANON 13.

*Of Persons not Ministers in this Church, etc.*

CANON 12.

*Of Ministers Officiating in a Foreign Language.*

When a Clergyman, coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this communion in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, or with the unanimous consent of the Standing Committee if there be no Bishop, and, on complying with the other requisitions of the Canons, settle in the said Church, as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, anything in these Canons to the contrary notwithstanding.<sup>a</sup>

*Ministers Officiating in a Foreign Language.*

*May settle.*

CANON 13.

*Of Persons not Ministers in this Church officiating in any Congregation thereof.*

No Minister in charge of any Congregation of this Church, or, in case of vacancy or absence, no Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, shall permit any person to officiate therein, without sufficient evidence of his being duly licensed or ordained to minister in this Church: *Provided*, that nothing herein shall be so construed as to forbid communicants of the Church to act as Lay Readers.

*Evidence of being a Minister in this Church necessary for officiating.*

*Proviso.*

Canon 11, Title I, Sections i and ii,<sup>b</sup> is hereby repealed: *Provided*, that such repeal shall not

<sup>a</sup> Canon 24, 1832.

<sup>b</sup> Of the Digest of 1865.

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affect any case of a violation of said Canon committed before this date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.<sup>a</sup>

## CANON 14.

#### *General Regulations of Ministers and their Duties.*

*Election and institution of Ministers.*

§ i. [1.] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

We, the Churchwardens [or, in case of an Assistant Minister, We, the Rector and Churchwardens], do certify to the Right Rev. [naming the Bishop], or to the Rev. [naming the President of the Standing Committee], that [naming the person] has been duly chosen Rector [or, Assistant Minister, as the case may be] of [naming the Parish or Church].

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

*Certificate to be transmitted for record.*

[2.] If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.<sup>b</sup>

*Concerning institution.*

[3.] And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee,

<sup>a</sup> Canon as amended, 1868; renumbered, 1874.

<sup>b</sup> § ii, Canon 7, 1856.



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may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted according to the Office established by this Church, if that Office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a Deacon, the act of institution shall not take place until after he shall have received Priest's Orders. This provision concerning the use of the Office of Institution is not to be considered as applying to any congregation destitute of a house of worship.<sup>a</sup>

§ ii. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following :

*Certificate to Minister removing from one Diocese to another.*

I hereby certify that the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a Minister in regular standing.<sup>b</sup>

§ iii. The Alms and Contributions at the Administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.<sup>c</sup>

*Alms and Contributions.*

§ iv. [1.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy

*Duty on Episcopal visitations.*

<sup>a</sup> § iii, Canon 7, 1856.

<sup>b</sup> § iv, Canon 7, 1856.

<sup>c</sup> Canon 52, 1832.

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ordinance of Confirmation. And on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners, individually, as opportunity may offer, and also to the Congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of said notice. And he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall think properly qualified, and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

*List of names.**Duty to give information.*

[2.] And at every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

*Parochial Reports.*

[3.] And further, the Ministers and Churchwardens of such Congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.<sup>a</sup>

*Parish Register to be kept.*

§ v. [1.] Every Minister of this Church shall keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages, and Funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided

<sup>a</sup> Canon 26, 1832.

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by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such a register.

[2.] The intention of the Register of Baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of the Church-membership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of Baptism.

*Register of Baptisms.*

[3.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same Parish.<sup>a</sup>

*List of Families.*

§ vi. [1.] No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the Parish, or within the parochial cure, of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority of them.

*Officiating of Ministers within the cures of others.*

[2.] Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan authority under Section ii of Canon 5 of Title III of this Digest, or are not otherwise settled, they shall, for the purposes of this Section, be defined by the civil divisions of the State, as follows:

*Parish boundaries not otherwise defined,*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 29, 1832.

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*to be certain civil divisions of the State.*

*Recognized by the Bishop.*

*If but one Church.*

*If two or more Churches.*

*The consent necessary for officiating.*

*A new Parish.*

*Neglect of Minister.*

Parochial boundaries shall be the limits, as now fixed by law, of any village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or the limits of some division thereof which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish.

If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a city or town as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more Congregations or Churches therein, it shall be deemed the cure of the Ministers thereof, and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary; but nothing in this Canon shall be construed to prevent any Clergyman of this Church from officiating in any Parish Church or in any place of public worship used by any Congregation of this Church, or elsewhere within the parochial cure of the Minister of the said Congregation, with the consent of the Clergyman in charge of such Congregation; or, in his absence, of the Churchwardens and Vestrymen or Trustees of such Congregation, or of a majority of them.

When, under Diocesan authority, a new Parish is constituted, and its boundaries defined, this Section shall be applicable to the same as so established.

[3.] If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the

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regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before-mentioned authority, to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

[4.] This Canon shall not affect any legal rights of property of any Parish.<sup>a</sup>

*Rights of property undisturbed.*

§ vii. [1.] A Minister of this Church removing within the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority, shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to said Ecclesiastical Authority a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The testimonial may be in the following words :

*Of Clerical residence and removal.*

I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Authority of —, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of —, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil

*Letter Dimissory.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon as amended in 1859 and 1868.

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report, for error in religion or viciousness of life, for three years last past.

*When to affect  
canonical resi-  
dence.*

[2.] All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dimissory. No such letter shall affect a Minister's canonical residence, until, after having been presented according to its address, it shall have been accepted, and notification of such acceptance given to the authority whence it proceeded. The residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his letter of transfer. If not presented within three months after its date, it may be considered as void by the authority whence it proceeded; and shall be so considered, unless it be presented within six months.

*When void.*

*When reception  
may be refused.*

[3.] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who has been called to take charge of a Parish or Congregation, shall present a testimonial in the form aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard rumors, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canonical inquiry, and presentment; in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and, in such case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept the testimonial, unless, and until, the Minister shall be exculpated from the said charges.



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[4.] It shall be the duty of all Ministers, except Professors in the General Theological Seminary, Professors and Tutors in any University or College which is maintained and governed by two or more Dioceses, associated for that purpose, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains in the Army and Navy, to obtain and present letters of transfer as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District to any other Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain there for the space of six months. But when a Diocese is divided into two or more Dioceses, any Professor in a Theological Seminary therein, which is governed by Trustees from every part of such original Diocese, may select to which of said Dioceses he shall belong, and shall not be obliged to obtain and present the above-mentioned letters of transfer.<sup>a</sup>

*When Letters  
Dimissory are not  
required.*

*Theological Pro-  
fessors may select  
their Diocese.*

## CANON 15.

*Of Bishops.*

§ i. [1.] To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop, by the Convention thereof, there must be, at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters therein, regularly settled in a Parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and six or more Parishes represented in the Convention electing. But two or more adjoining Dioceses, not having respectively the requisite number of Presbyters to

*Election of  
Bishops.*

*Six Presbyters  
and six Parishes.*

*Two or more  
Dioceses uniting.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 6, 1856; amended and renumbered, 1874.

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entitle either to the choice of a Bishop, may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, to exercise jurisdiction alike in each of the associated Dioceses, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters residing in any part of such associated Dioceses, qualified as aforesaid; and the Bishop, so elected, shall exercise Episcopal jurisdiction over each of the associated Dioceses, until such time as some one of such Dioceses, having six or more Presbyters canonically qualified to elect a Bishop, shall elect him, and he shall have accepted the office as its own exclusive Diocesan; whereupon, his connection with the other associated Diocese or Dioceses shall cease and determine: *Provided*, always, that the Dioceses thus associated in the election of a common Bishop, and the Conventions thereof, shall, in all other respects, remain as before, unconnected and independent of each other: and *Provided*, also, that such association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop, if not before.

*First proviso.*

*Second proviso.*

*What is a settlement.*

*Certificates to be produced by the Bishop elect.*

[2.] A Minister is settled, for all purposes here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.<sup>a</sup>

§ ii. [1.] Every Bishop elect, before his consecration, shall produce to the House of Bishops, from the Convention by whom he is elected, evi-

<sup>a</sup> Canon 2, 1844.

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dence of such election; and, from the House of Deputies in General Convention, evidence of their approbation of his testimonials, and of their assent to his consecration; and also certificates, respectively, in the following words; such certificates, in both cases, to be signed by a constitutional majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, or of the House of Deputies, as the case may be. The same evidence of election by, and the same certificate from, the members of the Diocesan Convention, shall be presented to the House of Deputies in General Convention.

*Testimony from the Members of the Convention in the Diocese from whence the person is recommended for consecration.*

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners, and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God, and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

The above certificate shall be presented to the House of Deputies in General Convention.

*Testimony from the House of Deputies in General Convention.*

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred Office of a Bishop should not be

*Testimony from Diocesan Convention.*

*Testimony from House of Deputies.*

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unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy Office, but that he hath, as we believe, led his life, for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly.

*Notification of consent to consecration to be given.*

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.<sup>a</sup>

*Order to be taken for the consecration.*

*Consecration during recess.*

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside

*Consent of Standing Committees.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 3, 1832; amended, 1883.

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at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.<sup>a</sup>

*Consent of  
Bishops.*

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Deputies in General Convention; and, without the aforesaid requisites, no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention; but in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within six months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.<sup>b</sup>

*Evidence of  
consent.*

*No consecration  
within six months  
of General Con-  
vention.*

§ iv. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.<sup>c</sup>

*Age.*

§ v. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him: *Provided*, that before the elec-

*Assistant  
Bishop.*

<sup>a</sup> Amended, 1883.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 5, 1832.

<sup>c</sup> Canon 8, 1832.

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*No Suffragan Bishop.*

tion of an Assistant Bishop for the reason of extent of Diocese, the consent of the General Convention, or during the recess thereof, the consent of a majority of the Bishops and of the several Standing Committees, must be had and obtained. The Assistant Bishop shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese, as the Bishop shall assign to him; and, in case of the Bishop's inability to assign such duties, declared by the Convention of the Diocese, the Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, perform all the duties, and exercise all the authorities which appertain to the office of a Bishop. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time.<sup>a</sup>

*Provisional Bishop.*

§ vi. A Diocese deprived of the services of its Bishop by a sentence of suspension without a precise limitation of time, may proceed to the election of a Provisional Bishop, who, when duly consecrated, shall exercise all the powers and authority of the Bishop of the Diocese during the suspension of such Bishop; and who, in case of the remission of the sentence of the Bishop, and his restoration to the exercise of his jurisdiction, shall perform the duties of Assistant Bishop prescribed by Section v of this Canon; and who in all cases shall succeed to the Bishop on his death or resignation.<sup>b</sup>

*Assistant on restoration of suspended Bishop.*

*Of Domestic Missionary Bishops.*

§ vii. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of

<sup>a</sup> Canon 6, 1832; as amended, 1871.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 3, 1850.



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Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States or Territories, or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, in the form required by Section ii of this Canon, to be given by the members of Diocesan Conventions on the recommendation of Bishops elect for consecration, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

*Mode and evidence of election*

[2.] The Bishop or Bishops so elected and consecrated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such States and Territories, or parts thereof, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe; and the House of Bishops may, at any time, increase or diminish the number of States or Territories, or parts thereof, over which the said Bishop or Bishops shall exercise Episcopal functions.

*Exercise of Episcopal functions.*

*Extent of jurisdiction.*

[3.] In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

*Vacancy.*

[4.] The jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons

*Jurisdiction over Clergy, and mode of exercising it.*

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*Power to appoint a Standing Committee.*

*Proviso.*

*The Constitution and Canons of the Jurisdiction.*

*Proviso.*

*Entitled to seat in the House of Bishops.*

belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him. Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such jurisdiction, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed: *Provided*, that no Standing Committee constituted under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee may make presentment: *Provided*, that the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters; and if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his jurisdiction (excluding the members of the Standing Committee, and the accused), the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

[7.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section shall be entitled to a

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seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating his Missionary appointment: *Provided*, that he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

*Eligible as a Diocesan.*

*Power upon the organization of a Diocese.*

*Proviso.*

*Report to General Convention,*

*and to the Board of Missions.*

[8.] Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary Jurisdiction; and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions.<sup>a</sup>

*Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.*

§ viii. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the Territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, expressing their assent to the said nomination, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

*Evidence of election.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 10, 1856; as amended, 1871.

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*Limitation of jurisdiction.*

*Shall have a seat in the House of Bishops.*

*Restriction upon eligibility as a Diocesan.*

*Mode of presenting and trying.*

*Power to ordain Deacons or Presbyters.*

[2.] Any Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction, except in the place or country for which he has been elected and consecrated. He shall <sup>a</sup> be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, but shall not become a Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States, unless with the consent of three fourths of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and also of three fourths of the Deputies present at the Session of the General Convention, or, in the recess of the General Convention, with the consent of the Standing Committees of three fourths of the Dioceses.

[3.] Any Bishop or Bishops consecrated under this section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall, on presentment by two thirds of the Missionaries under his charge, for immorality or heresy, or for a violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, be tried, and, if found guilty, sentenced, in all particulars as if he were actually resident within the limits of the United States, except that the trial may be within any Diocese in the United States.

[4.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, or any Bishop

<sup>a</sup> These words were thus altered in 1865.

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to whom the exercise of Episcopal powers and functions in a foreign Church or Congregation shall have been assigned by the Presiding Bishop, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of their respective Missions, or in such foreign Church or Congregation, any persons, of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him or them the testimonials required by Canons 6 and 8 of this Title, signed by not less than two of the ordained Missionaries of this Church who may be subject to his or their charge, or by two Presbyters of this Church, in good standing, connected with such foreign Church or Congregation.

*Testimonials  
necessary in  
such case.*

*Provided*, nevertheless, that if there be only one ordained Missionary attached to the Mission, or only one Presbyter of this Church connected with such foreign Church or Congregation, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church may be admitted to supply the deficiency.<sup>a</sup>

*Proviso.*

[5.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop consecrated under this Section, or heretofore consecrated, may, by and with the advice of two Presbyters, one of whom, if necessity require, shall be a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, dispense with those studies required from a Candidate for Deacon's Orders by the Canons of this Church: *Provided*, that no person shall be ordained by him

*Power of dispensation.*

*Proviso.*

<sup>a</sup> This Section was thus amended in 1865.

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*Proviso.*

*Restrictions.*

*Jurisdiction  
over resident  
Missionaries or  
Clergymen.*

*May appoint  
Standing  
Committee.*

who has not passed a satisfactory examination, in the presence of two Presbyters, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach: and *Provided*, further, that no person shall be ordained by him until he shall have been a candidate for at least three years. Nor shall any Deacon, so ordained, be advanced to the Order of Presbyters, who has not been in Deacon's Orders for at least one year. Nor shall any Deacon or Priest, who shall have been ordained under this Section, be allowed to hold any cure, or officiate in the Church in these United States, until he shall have complied with existing Canons relating to the learning of persons to be ordained.

[6.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall have jurisdiction and government according to the Canons of this Church over all Missionaries or Clergymen of this Church, resident in the district or country for which he or they may have been consecrated.

[7.] Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint a Standing Committee, consisting of not less than two nor more than five Presbyters resident within his jurisdiction, and, if he shall find it practicable and advisable, of an equal number of Lay-Communicants; which Standing Committee shall have, so far as the circumstances of the jurisdiction permit, the powers and duties provided for by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for the government of such jurisdiction. In case of the



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absence of the Bishop from his jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, said Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction.

[8.] If any Minister of this Church, acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the provisions of Canon 2 of Title II, *Of Offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished*; or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop, such Clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary Jurisdiction: *Provided*, that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committee, or, if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

*Trial of Ministers.*

*Provido.*

[9.] The Court for the trial of such Minister shall consist of five Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee; or, if there be not five, then of all the members of such Missionary Jurisdiction. If there be more than five, then shall the Standing Committee select, by lot, the five who shall compose the Court, which Court shall proceed in the trial, according to the Canons of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, so far as the same may be applicable to such a case; and where no provision is made adequate to the

*The Court.*

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#### *Sentence.*

exigency, the Court shall consider and adjudge the case according to the principles of law and equity.

[10.] The sentence of the Court shall be rendered to the Bishop of such Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall have power to revise and modify the same, and the decision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive.

#### *Report to be made to General Convention and Board of Missions.*

[11.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings and acts, and the state of the Mission under his supervision. He shall also make a similar report at least once a year to the Board of Missions of this Church.<sup>a</sup>

#### *Election of Missionary Bishop as Diocesan.*

§ ix. [1.] When a Diocese, entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan a Missionary Bishop of this Church, if such election shall have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

#### *Concurrence of General Convention.*

#### *Election during recess.*

[2.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly

<sup>a</sup> Canon 1, 1850.

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certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.<sup>a</sup>

*Consent of Bishops and Standing Committees.*

*Notice of election.*

§ x. It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver, at least once in three years, a charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause. And it is also deemed proper that, from time to time, he shall address to the people of his Diocese Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners.<sup>b</sup>

*Of Episcopal charges and Pastoral letters.*

§ xi. [1.] Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behaviour of his

*Of Episcopal visitations.*

• Canon 9, 1856.

■ Canon 26, 1832.

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*Declining to visit.*

*Council of Conciliation.*

*Proviso.*

*Clergy to supply the Bishop's Parish.*

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Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to the people committed to his charge. And if a Bishop shall decline, for more than three years, to visit a Parish or Congregation, for reasons which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall be the duty of the Rector or Minister, and Vestry, or of one of them, to apply to the Presiding Bishop, to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be situated, to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a Council of Conciliation: *Provided*, that if, by the action of the General Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a Council or Councils of Conciliation, for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind, then such a case as is above named shall be referred to such general Council of Conciliation, and the parties shall abide by its decision.

[2.] To enable the Bishop, who may be Rector of a Church, to make his official visitation, it shall

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be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

[3.] It is left to each Diocese to make provision, in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitation.

[4.] The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.<sup>a</sup>

§ xii. It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within his Diocese.<sup>b</sup>

§ xiii. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese who is about to leave, or has left, his Diocese, with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or, if remaining out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Assistant Bishop, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Assistant Bishop or Standing Committee so authorized, shall thereupon become the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese: *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction himself, so far as the same

*Expenses of visitation.*

*Register to be kept.*

*Of Episcopal residence.*

*Of Bishops absent temporarily from their Dioceses.*

*Proviso.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 2, 1856.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 1, 1856.

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may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him.<sup>a</sup>

*Forms of prayer or thanksgiving for extraordinary occasions.*

§ xiv. The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Dioceses or other places within the bounds of this Church in which there is no Bishop, may use the form of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.<sup>b</sup>

*Performance of Episcopal duties in vacant Dioceses, etc.*

§ xv. [1.] Any Bishop, Assistant Bishop, or Missionary Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

*Invitation temporary and revocable.*

*Full charge of another Bishop.*

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be

<sup>a</sup> Canon 3, 1853.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 47, 1832.



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placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Assistant Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled: until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

[3.] No Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.<sup>a</sup>

*No other Bishop to officiate during such charge.*

§ xvi. [1.] If, during the session of the General Convention, or within six calendar months before the meeting of any such Convention, a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall make known, in writing, to the House of Bishops such his desire, together with the reasons moving him thereto; whereupon the House of Bishops may investigate the whole case of the proposed resignation, including not only the facts and reasons that may be set forth in the application for the proposed resignation, but any other facts and circumstances bearing upon it, so that the whole subject of the propriety or necessity of such resignation may be placed fully before the House of Bishops.

*Of Episcopal resignations.*

*Investigation.*

[2.] An investigation having thus been made,

<sup>a</sup> Canon 4, 1847; amended, 1883.

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*House of Bishops  
to accept or  
refuse.*

the House of Bishops may decide on the application ; and, by a vote of a majority of those present, accept or refuse to accept such resignation ; and in all cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall cause their proceedings to be recorded on their journal ; and in case of acceptance, the resignation shall be complete when thus recorded ; and notice thereof shall be given to the House of Deputies.

*Resignation  
during recess.*

[3.] In case a Bishop should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known to the Presiding Bishop such his desire, with the reasons moving him thereto ; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate, without delay, a copy of the same to every Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the Bishop desiring to resign may belong ; and, at the same time, summon said Bishops to meet him in person, at a place to be by him designated and at a time not less than three calendar months from the date of his summons ; and should a number not less than a majority of all the said Bishops meet at the time and place designated, they shall then have all the powers given by the previous clauses of this Section to the House of Bishops ; and should a number less than a majority assemble, they shall have power to adjourn from time to time, until they can secure the attendance of a majority of all the said Bishops. Should a proposed resignation of a Bishop be accepted at any meeting of the Bishops for that purpose held during a recess, then it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop present to pronounce such res-

*The Bishops  
to meet.*

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ignation complete, and to communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, who shall cause the same to be communicated to the several Clergymen in charge of congregations therein. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such resignation to be formally recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of resigning should be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this Section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

[4.] No Diocesan or Assistant Bishop whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.<sup>a</sup>

[5.] A Bishop who ceases to have the Episcopal charge of a Diocese shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

[6.] In case a suspended Bishop of this Church

*Notice.*

*Record.*

*If Presiding Bishop.*

*Resigned Bishop not eligible to a Diocese.*

*Bishops resigning on account of age to retain all their rights and precedences.*

*Bishops without charge subject to General Convention.*

<sup>a</sup> Amended 1883.

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*Resignation of  
suspended  
Bishop.*

*Notice.*

*Vacancy in Mis-  
sionary Jurisdic-  
tion during the  
recess.*

*The House of  
Bishops to meet,  
and elect.*

should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known by letter to the Presiding Bishop such desire; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate a copy of the same to each Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction; and, in case a majority of such Bishops shall return to the Presiding Bishop their written assent to such resignation, the same shall be deemed valid and final; and written information of the said resignation shall at once be communicated by the Presiding Bishop to the Bishop and Diocese concerned, and to each Bishop of this Church.<sup>a</sup>

§ xvii. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons spe-

<sup>a</sup> Canon 2, 1850.

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cially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites no consecration shall take place of any Missionary Bishop elected during the recess of the General Convention.

[3.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section shall have the several functions, jurisdiction, powers, and rights granted by any Canon or Canons of this Church to Missionary Bishops, whether Domestic or Foreign, according as such Bishop shall be elected to be a Domestic or a Foreign Missionary Bishop; and shall in all matters be subject to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.<sup>a</sup>

*Notice of election to be communicated.*

*Majority of Standing Committees to consent.*

*Majority of Bishops to consent.*

*Consecration.*

*Form of the consent of Standing Committees.*

*Rights of Missionary Bishops thus consecrated.*

*Subject to General Convention.*

<sup>a</sup> This Section was added in 1865, and the Canon was re-numbered, 1874.

*Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.*

## CANON 16.

*Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.*

*Secretary of the  
House of Bishops  
to keep a register.*

§ i. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him in the following manner, that is to say: Every Bishop of this Church, or where there is no Bishop the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of October of each year, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Dioceses, annexing the names of their respective cures or stations; or, in regard to those who have not any cures, their places of residence only; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to take care for the authorized publication of this list before the first of January in every year, in such manner as he shall deem best.

*List of ordina-  
tions, etc., to be  
published.*

§ ii. And, further, the Secretary shall obtain in the same manner, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, a list, with particulars of time and place, of all Ministers belonging to the Diocese, who have been ordained to the Diaconate or the Priesthood, or have died, or have been deposed, since the preceding General Convention; and the said list shall, from time to time, be published in the journals of the General Convention.<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Canon 48, 1832; as amended, 1868 and 1883.



*Mode of Securing an Accurate View, etc.*

§ iii. And, further, it is recommended to the several Bishops of this Church, and to the several Standing Committees, that, during the intervals between the meetings of the General Convention, they take such means of notifying the admission of Ministers among them as, in their discretion, respectively, they shall think effectual to the purpose of preventing ignorant and unwary people from being imposed on by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church.<sup>a</sup>

*Notification of admitted Ministers.*

## CANON 17.

*Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church.*

§ i. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or if the parish be vacant the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign, for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes

*Statement by Ministers in Parochial Reports.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 48, 1832; renumbered, 1874.

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*Clergymen not settled, to report services.*

in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

*Bishop's Address.*

§ ii. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the journals.

§ iii. At every General Convention, the journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz., Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Deputies. A Committee

*Mode of Securing an Accurate View, etc.*

shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with the request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

*Committee on the state of the Church.*

*Pastoral Letter,*

*to be read to every Congregation.*

§ iv. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the journals or other Ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Deputies, at every General Convention, on or before the first Monday of the session, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

*Duty of Diocesan Secretaries.*

§ v. It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee only, to prepare, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report, and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Diocese, comprising therein a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports, and from the Bishop's addresses, specifying, as far as possible, the capital and proceeds of the Episcopal fund, and of all Benevolent and Mis-

*Duty of Bishop, etc.*

*Condensed summary.*

# Title I.

## CANON 18.

### *Of Publishing Editions, etc.*

*to be presented to the Secretary.*

sionary associations of Churchmen within the Diocese, and present the same to the Secretary of the House of Deputies on or before the first Monday of the session, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Deputies, in drafting their reports.<sup>a</sup>

*Church Schools, Colleges, Hospitals, and Asylums to report annually.*

§ vi. All incorporated schools, all parochial schools, all academies and colleges, and all hospitals, asylums for orphans or other children of either sex, maintained at the expense, or conducted under the management of members of this Church, are expected to report annually to the Bishop of the Diocese at the annual Convention, such reports to be disposed of as the parochial reports; and at every General Convention the tabular view of the state of the Church in each Diocese, and the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, shall include the results of such reports.<sup>b</sup>

*To be included in triennial tabular view.*

## CANON 18.

### *Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.*

*Editions of the Bible to be corrected by the Standard.*

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition

<sup>a</sup> Canon 12, 1853; amended, 1874.

<sup>b</sup> This Section was added in 1862; and the Canon renumbered, 1874.

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agreed upon by the General Convention, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected shall be published with said book.<sup>a</sup>

*Certificate.*

## CANON 19.

*Of Publishing Editions of the Book of Common Prayer.*

§ i. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee thereof, shall appoint one or more Presbyters of the Diocese, who shall compare and correct all new editions of the Common Prayer Book, the Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, by a copy of the standard edition; and a certificate of said editions having been so compared and corrected shall be published with the same. And in case any edition shall be published without such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to give public notice that such edition is not authorized by the Church.

*Correct editions of the Prayer Book, etc.**Certificate.*

§ ii. [1.] The octavo edition of the Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, set forth by the General Convention, in the year of our Lord 1871,

*What is the standard edition.*<sup>a</sup> Canon 44, 1832; renumbered, 1874.

## Title I.

### CANON 20.

#### *Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.*

*Custodian to be appointed.*

and published by the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, is hereby declared to be the standard edition.

[2.] The stereotype plates of the said edition shall be in the custody of a Presbyter appointed by the General Convention, and no alteration, correction, or emendation of any sort in the said plates shall be made except under the direction of the said custodian, acting with the advice and consent of a Joint Committee, appointed by the General Convention, consisting of two Bishops and two Presbyters; and all alterations, corrections, and emendations thus made shall be reported by the said custodian, in writing, to the next General Convention, and entered upon the Journal of the House of Deputies.<sup>a</sup>

### CANON 20.

#### *Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.*

*Observance of the Lord's Day.*

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.<sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Canon 7, 1847; as amended, 1871; renumbered, 1874.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 41, 1832.



*Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.*

## CANON 21.

*Of Parochial Instruction.*

The Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrine, Constitution, and Liturgy of the Church.<sup>a</sup>

*Parochial  
Instruction.*

## CANON 22.

*Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.*

§ i. Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church; and in performing such service, no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said Book.<sup>b</sup>

*Use of the Book of  
Common Prayer.*

§ ii. [1.] If any Bishop have reason to believe, or if complaint be made to him in writing by two or more of his Presbyters, that within his jurisdiction ceremonies or practices not ordained or authorized in the Book of Common Prayer, and setting forth or symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, have been introduced by any Minister

*Introduction of  
ceremonies or  
practices not  
ordained or  
authorized in the  
Book of Common  
Prayer.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 28, 1832.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 45, 1832.

*Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.**Specifications.*

during the celebration of the Holy Communion (such as,

*a.* The elevation of the Elements in the Holy Communion in such manner as to expose them to the view of the people as objects toward which adoration is to be made.

*b.* Any act of adoration of or toward the Elements in the Holy Communion, such as bowings, prostrations, or genuflections ; and

*c.* All other like acts not authorized by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer :)

It shall be the duty of such Bishop to summon the Standing Committee as his Council of Advice, and with them to investigate the matter.

*The Minister to be admonished**and tried.*

[2.] If, after investigation, it shall appear to the Bishop and Standing Committee that ceremonies or practices not ordained or authorized as aforesaid, and setting forth or symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, have in fact been introduced as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, by instrument of writing under his hand, to admonish the Minister so offending to discontinue such practices or ceremonies ; and if the Minister shall disregard such admonition, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to cause him to be tried for a breach of his ordination vow.

*Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall prevent the presentment, trial, and punishment of any Minister under the provisions of Section i, Canon 2, Title II of the Digest.

[3.] In all investigations under the provisions of this Canon, the Minister whose acts or practices are

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the subject-matter of the investigation, shall be notified, and have opportunity to be heard in his defence. The charges preferred, and the findings of the Bishop and Standing Committee, shall be in writing, and a record shall be kept of the proceedings in the case.<sup>a</sup>

*The accused Minister to be notified.*

*Record to be kept.*

## CANON 23.

*Of Church Music.*

§ i. The Selection of the Psalms in metre, and Hymns which are set forth by authority, and Anthems in the words of Holy Scripture, are allowed to be sung in all Congregations of this Church before and after Morning and Evening Prayer, and also before and after sermons, at the discretion of the Minister, whose duty it shall be, by standing directions, or from time to time, to appoint such authorized Psalms, Hymns, or Anthems as are to be sung.

*Psalms, Hymns, and Anthems which may be sung.*

§ ii. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church, with such assistance as he may see fit to employ from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung at any time in his church, and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance by which vain and ungodly persons profane the service of the sanctuary.

*The Minister to give order concerning the tunes.*

<sup>a</sup> This Section enacted, 1874.

### *Of the Consecration of Churches.*

#### CANON 24.

### *Of the Consecration of Churches.*

*Building and ground to be paid for before consecration.*

§ i. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other incumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured, by the terms of the devise, or deed, or subscription by which they are given, from the danger of alienation from those who profess and practise the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, except in the cases provided for in Sections ii and iii of this Canon: *Provided*, that this shall not preclude the alienation of lots for burial in vaults or otherwise, nor apply to land owned by the Church corporation and not necessary for religious uses.

*Bishop's consent necessary to the incumbrance or alienation of a consecrated church.*

§ ii. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to incumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Church or Chapel be situated: *Provided*, that this section shall not be operative in any State with the laws of which, relating to the title and holding of property by religious corporations, the same may conflict.

*Of the Consecration of Churches.*

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§ iii. No consecrated Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of for any "unhallowed, worldly, or common use," without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Church or Chapel may be situate.<sup>a</sup>

*Consent necessary  
in other instances.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1868; as amended, 1871.

# Title II.

## OF DISCIPLINE.

### CANON 1.

#### *Of Amenability and Citations.*

*To whom Ministers are amenable.*

§ i. EVERY Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

*Mode of serving citations.*

§ ii. Unless a Diocesan Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear, at a certain time and place, for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him if a copy thereof be left at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing, six months before the said day of appearance, a copy of such citation in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear.<sup>a</sup>

*Of notices in general.*

§ iii. A notice or citation required by any Canon of this Church, when no other mode of service is provided, may be served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his last place of abode within the United States; and if he shall have left the United States, by also publishing a copy thereof in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State or Territory where such party last resided.<sup>b</sup>

§ iv. It is hereby declared to be the duty of all

<sup>a</sup> Canon 5, 1835.

<sup>b</sup> Added, 1859.



*Of Offences for which Ministers may be Tried, etc.*

members of this Church to attend and give evidence, when duly summoned to do so, in any Ecclesiastical trial or investigation under the authority of this Church.<sup>a</sup>

*Duty to give Evidence.*

§ v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted in any court of record, of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any court of record, in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.<sup>b</sup>

*Of cases of conviction in courts of record.*

## CANON 2.

*Of Offences for which Ministers may be Tried and Punished.*

§ i. Every Minister of this Church shall be liable to presentment and trial for the following offences, viz.:

*Punishable offences.*

[1.] Crime or immorality.

[2.] Holding and teaching publicly or privately, and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

[3.] Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.

[4.] Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs.

[5.] Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination vows.

<sup>a</sup> Added, 1880.

<sup>b</sup> Added, 1883.

#### *Misdemeanor in another Diocese.*

And, on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.<sup>a</sup>

*Proceedings on public rumor.*

§ ii. If a Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of habitually neglecting the exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the Holy Eucharist according to the Offices of this Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offences enumerated in Section i, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And, in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or deposed, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.<sup>b</sup>

*Punishments.*

#### CANON 3.

#### *Of a Clergyman in one Diocese or Missionary District chargeable with Misdemeanor in another.*

*Offence committed in a different Diocese.*

§ i. If a Clergyman of this Church, belonging to any Diocese or Missionary District, shall have conducted himself in any other Diocese or Missionary District in such a way as to be liable to presentment under the provisions of Canon 2, Title II, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1868.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 37, 1832 ; as amended, 1868.

*Misdemeanor in another Diocese.*

notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its correctness. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, when thus notified, shall omit, for the space of three months, to proceed against the offending Clergyman, or shall request the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to proceed against him, it shall be within the power of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District within which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to institute proceedings according to the mode provided by the Convention thereof; and the decision given shall be conclusive.

*Notice to authority of offender's Diocese.*

*Proceedings on neglect to act.*

§ ii. If a Clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons or otherwise, or if any Clergyman, while sojourning in any Diocese, shall misbehave in any of these respects, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in said Diocese. And if, after such prohibition, the said Clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Clergy and Congregations in said Diocese, that the officiating of the said Clergyman is, under any and all circumstances, prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, of the Diocese to which the said Clergyman belongs. And such pro-

*Bishop may admonish and forbid officiating.*

*Notice of prohibition.*

#### *Of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.*

*Prohibition, how long to continue.*

hibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said Clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

*Applicable to Clergymen ordained in foreign countries.*

§ iii. The provisions of the last Section shall apply to Clergymen ordained in foreign countries by Bishops in communion with this Church: *Provided*, that in such case notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop under whose jurisdiction the Clergyman shall appear to have last been, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.<sup>a</sup>

*Notice of prohibition.*

## CANON 4.

#### *Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations, and of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.*

*Resignation or removal of a Rector.*

§ i. A Rector, canonically elected and in charge, or an Instituted Minister, may not resign his Parish without consent of the said Parish or its Vestry (if the Vestry be authorized to act in the premises); nor may such Rector or Minister be removed therefrom by said Parish or Vestry against his will, except as hereinafter provided.

*Separation and dissolution of Pastoral connection.*

§ ii. In case any urgent reason or reasons should occasion a wish in a Rector or Minister as aforesaid, or in the Parish committed to his charge, to bring about a separation and a dissolution of all

<sup>a</sup> Canon 6, 1850; amended, 1874.

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pastoral relation between such Minister and Parish, and the parties be not agreed in respect of such separation and dissolution, notice of such desire and disagreement may be given by either party to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, in writing. And in case of any difference between the Minister and Parish or Vestry as aforesaid, which may not be satisfactorily settled by the godly judgment of the Bishop alone, or which he may decline to consider without counsel, the Bishop (or if the Diocese be vacant, any Bishop selected by the Ecclesiastical Authority), acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or with that of the Presbyters only of said Standing Committee (if both parties shall assent to such limitation in writing), shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge; and refusal to accept and comply with the arbitration and judgment on the part of the Minister aforesaid, shall not work a continuance of lawful and canonical Rectorship or settlement beyond the date fixed, conditionally or otherwise, for its termination by such arbitration and judgment, should such termination be recommended and required; but such pastoral connection shall, unless otherwise agreed by the parties, cease and terminate as therein required. But such refusal shall subject the Minister so refusing to inhibition by the Bishop aforesaid from all ministerial offices and functions within the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; and such refusal on the part of a Parish shall disqualify it

*Differences, how  
to be settled.*

*Penalties for  
refusal to comply  
with arbitration.*

### *Of Renunciation of the Ministry.*

from representation in the Convention of the Diocese until it shall have been declared by the Ecclesiastical Authority to have given satisfactory guaranties for the acceptance of and compliance with the arbitration and judgment.

*Record of regular dissolution.*

§ iii. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Minister and his congregation, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same. But if the dissolution of the connection between a Minister and his Congregation be not regular or canonical, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall lay the same before the Convention of the Diocese, in order that the above-mentioned penalties may take effect.

*When not obligatory.*

§ iv. This Canon shall not be in force in any Diocese which has made, or shall hereafter make, provision by Canon upon this subject, nor in any Diocese with whose laws or charters it may interfere.<sup>a</sup>

## CANON 5.

### *Of Renunciation of the Ministry.*

*Renunciation when no Ecclesiastical proceeding is pending.*

§ i. If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare, in writing, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs, his renunciation of

<sup>a</sup> Canon 33, 1832; as amended, 1877.



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the Ministry of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to record the declaration so made; and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, of any Bishop who, being requested by the Standing Committee, shall consent to act in the matter, to depose such person from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Clergymen, that the person so declaring has been deposed from the Ministry of this Church: *Provided, however*, that if the Bishop shall be satisfied that the person so declaring is not amenable for any canonical offence, and that his renunciation of the Ministry is not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but is voluntary and for causes, assigned or known, which do not affect his moral character, he shall so declare in pronouncing and recording said deposition, and shall, if desired, give a certificate to this effect to the person so deposed; and he shall also give due notice of such deposition from the Ministry to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, in the form in which the same is recorded.

*Bishop to depose.*

*Proviso.*

*Notice of deposition.*

§ ii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority shall have reason to believe that the person so declaring has acted hastily and unadvisedly, action on such declaration may be postponed for the space of not more than six months, during which time such person may withdraw his application.

*Action may be suspended for six months.*

#### *Abandonment by a Presbyter or Deacon.*

*Renunciation under liability to presentment.*

§ iii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, to whom such declaration is made, shall have ground to suppose that the person making the same is liable to presentment for any canonical offence, such person may, in the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, be put upon trial for such offence, notwithstanding such declaration of renunciation of the Ministry.<sup>a</sup>

## CANON 6.

#### *Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.*

*Abandonment without renunciation.*

§ i. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 5 of this Title, abandon the Communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, or worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other way, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical Authority as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself, and the said Bishop may then proceed to suspend for six months the Presbyter or Deacon so certified

*Certificate.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 5, 1850; as amended, 1877.

## CANON 7.

### *Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.*

as abandoning the Communion of this Church. Notice shall be given to the said Minister by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that, unless he shall within six months make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.<sup>a</sup>

*Notice.*

*Deposition after six months.*

*Proviso, of retraction.*

§ ii. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed: *Provided*, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.<sup>b</sup>

## CANON 7.

### *Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.*

When a Clergyman has been absent from the Diocese to which he belongs during five<sup>c</sup> years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare the cause or causes thereof in writing; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if they be deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and con-

*Absence for five years, when ground of suspension.*

<sup>a</sup> This Section was amended, 1874.

<sup>b</sup> Canon of 1859.

<sup>c</sup> This word was changed from *two* to *five* in 1862.

## Title II.

### CANON 8.

#### *Abandonment by a Bishop.*

*Duration of sentence.*

*Notice to be given.*

sent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry ; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence ; or until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese ; or until he shall renounce the Ministry according to Canon 5 of this Title. In the case of such suspension as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.\*

### CANON 8.

#### *Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop.*

*Abandonment of Communion by a Bishop.*

If any Bishop, without availing himself of the provisions of Section xvi of Canon 15 of Title I, abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of said Bishop to make certificate of the fact to the Presiding Bishop, together with a statement of the acts or declarations which prove such abandonment, which certificate shall be recorded by the Presiding Bishop ; and the Presiding Bishop, with the con-

\* Canon 2, 1841.

*Abandonment by a Bishop.*

sent of the three Bishops next in seniority, shall then suspend said Bishop from the exercise of his office and ministry until such time as the House of Bishops shall consent or refuse to consent to his deposition; and in case the Bishop so abandoning the Communion of the Church be the senior Bishop, the Bishop next in the order of seniority shall be deemed to be and shall act as the Presiding Bishop under this Canon.

Notice shall then be given to said Bishop by the Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, and shall demand a trial, he will be deposed from the Ministry. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop to convene the House of Bishops, and if a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops, shall at such meeting give their consent, the said Presiding Bishop, or the senior Bishop present, shall proceed to depose from the Ministry the Bishop so certified as abandoning, and to pronounce and record in the presence of two or more Bishops, that he has been so deposed: *Provided*, nevertheless, that if the Bishop so certified as abandoning, shall transmit to the Presiding Bishop a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may at his discretion abstain from any further proceedings.<sup>a</sup>

*Notice to be given.**Deposition.**Proviso.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1859, amended 1874.

#### *Of the Trial of a Bishop.*

#### CANON 9.

#### *Of the Trial of a Bishop.*

*Offences for which a Bishop may be tried.*

§ i. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for trial on charges for the following offences, viz.: 1. Crime or immorality. 2. Holding and teaching publicly, or privately and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. 3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention. 4. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs. 5. Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination or Consecration vows.

*Charges in writing.*

§ ii. [1.] The proceedings shall commence by charges in writing; and, except when the charge is holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, shall be signed by either

*By whom to be signed.*

Five male communicants of this Church, in good standing, belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom two at least must be Presbyters; or,

By seven male communicants of this Church, in good standing, of whom two at least shall be Presbyters, and three of which seven shall belong to the Diocese of the accused.

*Action on rumors.*

[2.] Whenever a Bishop of this Church shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, if he please, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may

*If advised by two Bishops.*



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select, demand of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or if he be the Bishop affected by such rumors, or if he be related to him within the degrees hereinafter mentioned, then to the Bishop next in seniority not so related, to convene a Board of Inquiry in the mode hereinafter set forth, to investigate such rumors, reports, and charges, and to proceed, in all respects, according to the provisions of this Canon, as if charges had been formally made in either of the two modes first mentioned in this Section.

[3.] Whenever charges are formally made in either of the modes first above mentioned, the accusers may, if they choose, select a lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as their adviser, advocate, and agent, in preparing the accusation, proofs, etc., until such time as a Board of Inquiry is convened in such manner as is hereinafter provided for; or they may prepare such charges themselves, without regard to any particular form; and, in either case, the grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance.

*Accusers may choose a lay advocate and agent.*

*Reasonable certainty of charges.*

§ iii. The charges, having been prepared in either of the modes first above mentioned, shall then be delivered to the Presiding Bishop, if he be not the accused, nor related to the accused in any degree mentioned hereinafter in this Canon; in either of which cases the charges shall be delivered to the next Bishop in seniority not so related.

*To whom to be delivered.*

#### *Of the Trial of a Bishop.*

*Board of Inquiry.*

§ iv. A Board for making a preliminary inquiry into charges thus preferred, shall be constituted as follows, whenever such Board shall be necessary, viz. :

*How constituted.*

[1.] The Presiding Bishop, or senior Bishop, as the case may be, to whom such charges are delivered, shall take the list of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the last General Convention that was held before such charges were presented, and from that list shall choose by lot two Presbyters and two Laymen from the deputation of the Diocese of the accused, and two Presbyters and two Laymen from each of the respective deputations of the three Dioceses adjoining that of the accused; and if there be not three adjoining, of the three nearest thereto; and if more than three Dioceses adjoin that of the accused, those three that have the largest number of canonically resident Presbyters in them shall be accounted adjoining, for the purposes of this Canon; and the sixteen individuals thus selected by lot shall constitute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for doing business.

*Notice to members.*

[2.] The Presiding Bishop, or next in seniority, as the case may be, immediately after thus selecting by lot the Board of Inquiry, shall give notice thereof to each member of said Board, and direct him to attend, at a time and place designated by him, and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The Presiding Bishop shall, at the same time, send a

*Place of meeting.*

*Of the Trial of a Bishop.*

copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

[3.] On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church Advocate, who must be a lay communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall, in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church, and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private; the Church Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

[4.] In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations, and such proof as the accusers may produce, and shall determine whether, upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by an Ecclesiastical Court now authorized, or hereafter to be authorized, by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. If a majority of the Board present on such investigation shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to put the accused Bishop upon his trial,

*Copy of charges to be sent.*

*Organization of the Board.*

*Office of Church Advocate.*

*Sittings to be private.*

*Duty of the Board.*

*Rules of evidence those of the State in which the trial is had.*

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*Presentment.*

they shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment, to be signed by such of the Board as agree thereto; and to that end shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony that has been laid before the Board.

*Copies of presentment to be sent.*

[5.] The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed; and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

*Refusal to present.*

[6.] If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial, in such case the charges, together with a certificate of the President of the Board of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, to be deposited among the archives of that House. And no proceedings shall thereafter be had by way of presentment on such charges, except upon the affidavit of a respectable communicant of the Church of the discovery of new testimony as to the facts charged, and setting forth what such testimony is.

*Certificate of refusal.*

*Bar to future presentment.*

*Exception.*

*Limitation of time.*

[7.] No presentment shall be found in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a State court, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be founded on

*Conviction in a State court.*

*Of the Trial of a Bishop.*

charges delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop, at any time within one year after such conviction.

§ v. [1.] When a presentment has been made by the Board of Inquiry, or a majority thereof, to the Bishop from whom they receive the charges, it shall be the duty of such Bishop forthwith to give to the accused written notice to attend, at some place not more than one hundred miles from the place of residence of the accused Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty days after the time of serving such notice, either personally, or by some agent authorized by him in writing to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. He shall also give notice to the Church Advocate of the time and place appointed for such selection.

*Notice to accused  
upon presentment,*

*and to Church  
Advocate.*

[2.] At the time and place appointed in the notices, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend; and, in the presence of the accused Bishop, or of his agent authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such person or persons as may attend in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by himself, the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, then being within the territory of the United States, except the accused and those Bishops who may be related to him either by con-

*Formation of  
the Court.*

*Of the Trial of a Bishop.**Eleven names  
to be drawn.**Eleven reduced  
to seven.**Notice to members  
of the Court.**Appointment of  
time and place.*

sanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall then cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused, or his agent, may strike off the list one name, and the said Church Advocate, or his agent, another name, and so on alternately, until the number be reduced to seven. If it shall happen that either party shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the Bishop who has given the notices shall reduce the number to seven by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Bishops whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

[3.] The Court having been thus constituted, the Bishop to whom the presentment was made shall immediately communicate to each Bishop who has thus been by lot designated as one of the triers, the fact that he is a member of the Court. He shall also appoint a time and place for the assembling of the Court. The time shall not be less than two nor more than six calendar months from the day on which the notice should arrive at the most distant Diocese, in the ordinary course of the public mail. The place shall be within the Diocese or Missionary field of the accused Bishop, unless where the same may be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the Presiding or senior Bishop, that reasonable convenience may require the ap-



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pointment of another location. And the said senior Bishop shall cause the Church Advocate to send certified copies of the said presentment to all the Bishops who constitute the Court.

*Certified copies.*

[4.] The Bishop to whom the presentment has been made shall also immediately communicate to the accused the names of the members of the Court, and inform him of the time and place appointed for its meeting, and summon him then and there to appear and answer. He, or any other Bishop of this Church having charge of a Diocese, shall have power, until the Court assembles, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, to issue a summons for witnesses.

*Summons of the accused.*

*Power to summon witnesses.*

§ vi. The Bishops who constitute the Court, or a majority of them, having assembled according to the notice given them, which notice it is hereby made their duty to obey, shall proceed as follows, viz. :

*Course of proceeding on the trial.*

[1.] They shall elect a President out of their own number, and appoint a Presbyter of the Church as Clerk, and, if necessary, another Presbyter as Assistant Clerk; and when thus organized, the President shall direct the Clerk to call the names of the Church Advocate and the accused; and if both appear, he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment which was delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop, whose duty it is hereby made to deliver the same to the Court upon its organization.

*President.*

*Clerk.*

*Reading the presentment.*

[2.] The accused shall then be called upon by

*The call to plead.*

*Of the Trial of a Bishop.**Provisos.*

the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him, and his plea shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him, and the trial shall proceed: *Provided*, that, for sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn from time to time: and *Provided*, also, that the accused shall, at all times during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order produce his testimony, and to make his defence.

*Non-appearance.*

[3.] If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and notify him that sentence of suspension or degradation will be pronounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months, unless within that time he tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take his trial on the presentment. But if the accused shall not tender himself before the expiration of the said three months, sentence of suspension or degradation from the Ministry may be pronounced against him by the Court.

*Contumacy.**Three months' grace to appear.**The common law the rule of proceeding.*

[4.] The accused being present, and the trial proceeding, it shall be conducted according to the principles of the common law, as the same are generally administered in the United States; nor shall any testimony be received at the trial, except from witnesses who have signed a declaration in the following words, to be read aloud before the wit-

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ness testifies, and to be filed with the records of the Court :

I, A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a presentment against the Right Rev. ———, a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnly call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth ; so help me God !

And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness, which shall be filed and transmitted with his or her deposition to the Court. The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness ; and such party so desiring to take the deposition shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness ; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories ; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall

*Declaration of witness, in writing, before testifying.*

*Depositions when attendance cannot be procured.*

*Commissary.*

*Cross-examination.*

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*On what condition  
depositions to  
be read.*

*Proviso.*

*Service of notices  
and papers.*

*Certificate  
of service.*

*Mode of service.*

*Accused may  
have counsel.*

be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read: *Provided*, that in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.

[5.] All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court, when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper on the Church Advocate and accused, respectively. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day on which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

[6.] The accused party may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have assistant advocates, to be named by

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the accusers ; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court, or examine witnesses. The Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused on the other. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.

[7.] The Court, having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment, in the order in which they are set forth ; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court.

[8.] The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications of which a majority of the members of the Court have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing, and signed by those who assent to it ; and the decision thus signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

[9.] If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has anything to say before the sentence is passed, and may, in their discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence ; and before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn

*Counsel to be communicants.*

*Court to express opinion on each charge and specification.*

*Decision to be reduced to writing, and signed.*

*Accused to be heard before sentence.*

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*New trial.*

from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a belief that justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony ; and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, according to a sound discretion, grant him a new trial ; but, in such new trial, no Bishop shall sit who has already been a trier. Before passing sentence, the accused shall always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation.

*Sentence.*

[10.] The accused having been heard, or not desiring to be heard, the sentence of the Court shall then be pronounced, and shall be either admonition, suspension as defined by the existing Canons of this Church, or degradation, as the offence or offences adjudged to be proved shall seem to deserve. It shall be the duty of the Court, whenever sentence has been pronounced, whether it be upon a trial, or for contumacy, to communicate such sentence to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese of this Church ; and it shall be the duty of such Authority to cause such sentence to be made known to every Clergyman under his jurisdiction.

*Sentence to be communicated, and to whom.*

*Record of proceedings.*

[11.] Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the whole evidence given before it. Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a statement of any testimony which has been received, or of any decision which the Court has made, or of any fact which has occurred in Court, or any paper which either party has produced, it shall be the right of either party to file



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an exception in writing, containing a statement of such evidence, decision, or fact, or referring to or describing such paper, which paper shall also be filed with the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed shall become parts of the record.

[12.] Such records shall be kept by the Clerk, and inserted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, shall be deposited with the Registrar of the General Convention. Such books and papers shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

[13.] Every Court, constituted under the authority of this Canon, may be attended by one or more lay advisers, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such advisers may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but they shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give in person to the Court an opinion on any question not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of votes. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, appoint an adviser or advisers. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they shall all be advisers; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

*Exceptions.*

*How kept and attested.*

*Lay advisers may be appointed.*

*Their office.*

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*Presentment for erroneous doctrine, to be made by a Bishop.*

*Church Advocate.*

*To whom addressed and delivered.*

*Court to be convened.*

*Of whom composed.*

*Quorum.*

*Number necessary to a conviction.*

*Case of charges against a Missionary Bishop.*

§ vii. [1.] Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for holding and teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, by any Bishop in communion with this Church and not under suspension or degradation. No Bishop shall be presented in any other mode for this offence; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Bishop making such presentment shall appoint a Church Advocate.

[2.] Every presentment for alleged erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person making it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and delivered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and not being the accused or the accuser, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the trial of the accused. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser and the accused. Three fourths of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum; but the consent of two thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall be necessary to a conviction.

§ viii. [1.] If charges be preferred against a Missionary Bishop who is not a Diocesan, such Missionary Bishop shall be required by the Presiding or senior Bishop to name some one of the three Dioceses nearest to his District or Missionary field: and such selection having been made, the proceed-

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ings shall then be precisely such as, under this Canon, they would be were he the Diocesan of the Diocese named by him. Should the Missionary Bishop refuse to name a Diocese, then the Presiding Bishop may name any one of the three above designated, and the effect shall be the same as if the nomination had been made by the accused Missionary Bishop.

[2.] If charges be preferred against a Bishop having no jurisdiction, he shall be proceeded against precisely as if he were the Diocesan of the Diocese in which he has his civil residence.<sup>a</sup>

*Case of a Bishop without jurisdiction.*

## CANON 10.

*Of Sentences.<sup>b</sup>*

§ i. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms, or at what time, said penalty shall cease.<sup>c</sup>

*Suspension.*

§ ii. [1.] When any Minister is deposed from the Holy Ministry, he is deposed therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower Order in the same; and whenever a Minister shall be deposed, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese, and also to all the Bishops of this Church, and where there is no

*Deposition.*

*Notice of degradation, to whom given.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 11, 1856.

<sup>b</sup> See the Constitution, Article 6.

<sup>c</sup> Canon 3, 1847.

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Bishop, to the Standing Committee; and the notice shall specify under what Canon the said Minister has been deposed.

[2.] Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions, are the same as degradation.<sup>a</sup>

#### CANON 11.

#### *Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences.*

§ i. The Bishops of this Church, who are entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, may altogether remit and terminate any judicial sentence which may have been imposed, by Bishops acting collectively as a judicial tribunal; or modify the same so far as to designate a precise period of time, or other specific contingency, on the occurrence of which such sentence shall utterly cease, and be of no further force or effect: *Provided*, that no such remission or modification shall be made except at a meeting of the House of Bishops, during the session of some General Convention, or at a special meeting of the said Bishops, which shall be convened by the Presiding Bishop on the application of any five Bishops; three months' notice, in writing, of the time, place, and object of the meeting being given personally to each Bishop, or left at his usual place of abode: *Provided*, also, that such remission or modification be assented to by a number of said Bishops, not less than a majority of the

*What terms are synonymous.*

*Remission of sentence,*

*or modification thereof,*

*to be made at General Convention,*

*or meeting specially convened.*

*Majority of whole number of Bishops must assent.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 39, 1832. This Section was amended in 1862, in 1871, and in 1877.

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whole number entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops: and *Provided*, that nothing herein shall be construed to repeal or alter Canon 10 of this Title.<sup>a</sup>

§ ii. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

*Remission of sentence of deposition.*

1. That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

2. That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own, and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission and their consent thereto.

*But only upon certain conditions.*

3. That before remitting such sentence he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

4. That in case such person was deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its Communion, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay-communion with

<sup>a</sup> Canon 2, 1847.

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this Church for one year next preceding his application for such remission ; and,

5. That in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.<sup>a</sup>

CANON 12.

*Regulations respecting the Laity.*

*Removal of  
communicants.*

*Certificate.*

§ i. A communicant removing from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing ; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.<sup>b</sup>

*Crimes and  
scandals to be  
censured.*

*Ordinary to be  
informed.*

§ ii. [1.] If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the Holy Communion, agreeably to the rubric.

[2.] There being the provision in the second rubric before the Communion Service requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion

<sup>a</sup> § ii, added, 1871; and amended, 1877.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 13, 1853.



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shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary, it is hereby provided that, on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party, within three months from such repulsion. But on receiving complaint, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he think fit to restore him from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And should no such Canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity as will insure an impartial decision. And the notice, given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party repelled.<sup>a</sup>

[3.] In case of great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against to the depriving them of all privileges of Church membership, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided by the different Diocesan Conventions.<sup>b</sup>

*Inquiry on complaint in writing.*

*Case of the absence of Diocesan Canon.*

*Deprivation of privileges of Church membership.*

<sup>a</sup> This clause was thus amended in 1865.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 42, 1832.

### *Of Marriage and Divorce.*

#### CANON 13.

### *Of Marriage and Divorce.*

*Marriage except as God's Word doth allow not lawful.*

§ i. If any persons be joined together otherwise than as God's Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful.

*No Minister shall unite in marriage those divorced save for the cause of adultery.*

§ ii. No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living, if such husband or wife has been put away for any cause arising after marriage; but this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again.

*The Sacraments to be withheld from persons married otherwise than as God's Word doth allow.*

§ iii. If any Minister of this Church shall have reasonable cause to doubt whether a person desirous of being admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to the Holy Communion, has been married otherwise than as the Word of God and discipline of this Church allow, such Minister, before receiving such person to these ordinances, shall refer the case to the Bishop for his godly judgment thereupon: *Provided, however*, that no Minister shall, in any case, refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

*Proviso.*

*Questions to be referred to the Bishop.*

§ iv. Questions touching the facts of any case arising under Section ii of this Canon shall be referred to the Bishop of the Diocese or Mission-

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ary Jurisdiction in which the same may occur ; or if there be no Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, then to some Bishop to be designated by the Standing Committee ; and the Bishop to whom such questions have been so referred shall thereupon make inquiry in such manner as he shall deem expedient, and shall deliver his judgment in the premises.

§ v. This Canon, so far as it affixes penalties, does not apply to cases occurring before it takes effect, according to Canon 4, Title IV.<sup>a</sup>

*The penalties  
under this Canon  
limited.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1868; amended 1877.

# Title III.

OF THE ORGANIZED BODIES AND OFFICERS OF  
THE CHURCH.

## CANON 1.

*Of the General Convention.<sup>a</sup>*

*Special meetings  
of General Con-  
vention.*

§ i. [1.] THE right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. This right shall be exercised by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention: *Pro-  
vided*, that the summons shall be with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

*Proviso.*

*Place of meeting*

[2.] The place of holding any Special Convention shall be that fixed on by the preceding General Convention for the meeting of the General Convention, unless circumstances shall render a meeting at such a place unsafe; in which case the Presiding Bishop may appoint some other place.

*Same Deputies.*

[3.] The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be the Deputies at such Special Convention, unless in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the mean time by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the Special Convention the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.<sup>b</sup>

*Rules and Orders.*

[4.] The Rules and Orders of the House of Dep-

<sup>a</sup> See Constitution, Articles 1, 2, and 3.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 49, 1832.

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uties shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention, until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed by the said House.<sup>a</sup>

§ ii. [1.] The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which are named under Canon 17 of Title I, entitled, *Of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church*, together with all other articles that are now, or shall hereafter become, the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed, when not otherwise expressly provided for, to the keeping of a Presbyterian to be elected by the House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention.<sup>b</sup>

*Registrar.**How appointed.**Duties of Registrar.*

[2.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents now in existence; to arrange, label, file, index, and otherwise put in order; and provide for the safe keeping of, the same, and all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in fire-proof box or boxes, or in some safe and accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the General Convention may from time to time provide.

*Record of consecration of Bishops.*

[3.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a proper and sufficient book of record, and to enter therein a record of the Consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the Consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenti-

*How authenticated.*<sup>b</sup> Added, 1874.<sup>c</sup> Amended, 1880.

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cated in the fullest manner now practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future Consecrations in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of every such Consecration shall be given by the Presiding Bishop to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Registrar to attend such Consecration, either in person or by deputy. He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe, duplicate originals of the Letters of Consecration; and he shall procure the same to be immediately signed and sealed by the Consecrating Bishop, and by at least two of the Bishops assisting at such Consecration; and one of the said duplicate originals said Registrar shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop; and the other he shall carefully file among the papers in his custody: and he shall enter a minute thereof in his record.<sup>a</sup>

*Duplicate Letters of Consecration.*

*Expenses.*

[4.] The expenses necessary for the purposes contemplated by this Section shall be provided for by vote of the General Convention, and defrayed by the Treasurer of the same.<sup>b</sup>

*Notice to Diocesan Conventions.*

§ iii. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give a particular notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Church in every Diocese.<sup>c</sup>

*Treasurer.*

§ iv. At every triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall

<sup>a</sup> As amended, 1877, and 1880.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 4, 1853; as amended, 1871.

<sup>c</sup> Canon 1, 1832.



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remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His account shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment be made by the Convention.<sup>a</sup>

§ v. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meeting of the General Convention, three dollars for each Clergyman within such Diocese.<sup>b</sup>

*His duties**How vacancy to be filled.**Expenses of General Convention.**Diocesan ratio.*

## CANON 2.

*Of Standing Committees.*

§ i. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided

*Duties of Standing Committee.*<sup>a</sup> Canon 1, 1841.<sup>b</sup> Canon 8, 1856; as amended 1868.

*Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.*

*President and Secretary.*

for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment from time to time; and the President shall have power to summon special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

*To be a Council of Advice.*

§ ii. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

*When the Ecclesiastical Authority.*

§ iii. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.<sup>a</sup>

CANON 3.

*Of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.*

*Certificate of nomination.*

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to the House of Deputies, at every General Convention, a certificate of the nomination, by the Diocese, of a Trustee or Trustees for the General Theological Seminary; and without such certificate the nomination shall not be confirmed.<sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Canon, 1832.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 1, 1847.

*Of Congregations and Parishes.*

## CANON 4.

*Of Congregations and Parishes.*

§ i. Whereas, a question may arise whether a congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet any Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese, it is hereby determined and declared that all such unions shall be considered as irregular and void; and that every congregation of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a Church to which they belong. And no Clergyman, having a Parish or cure in more than one Diocese, shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.<sup>a</sup>

*Union with Church  
in another Diocese.*

*No Clergyman to  
sit in two Diocesan  
Conventions.*

§ ii. [1.] The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions, for the Dioceses respectively.

*Parish boundaries,  
and new Parishes.*

[2.] Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations within the limits of other Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of

*Where power is  
vested.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon 43, 1832.

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the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof; and in case of there being no Bishop, in the Ecclesiastical Authority.

*Vested rights preserved.*

[3.] Nothing contained in this Section shall affect any legal rights of property of any Parish.<sup>a</sup>

*Congregations in foreign lands.*

§ iii. [1.] It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Church or Congregation in any foreign country (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof), and not within the limits of any foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church.

*How organized.*

[2.] The Bishop in charge of such Congregations, and the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for, may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by them, within any such foreign country, upon being satisfactorily assured that it is expedient to establish at such place a Congregation of this Church. Such Presbyter, having publicly officiated at such place not less than four Sundays consecutively, may give notice, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the members of this Church attending such services will be held, at a time and place to be named by him, to organize a Church or Congregation. All male persons of full age belonging to this Church may take part in said meeting. And the said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and Standing Committee, and in

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1859.

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conformity to such regulations as the said Standing Committee may prescribe.

[3.] Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and particularly to submit to and abide by such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge, and the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

*Must recognize Constitution, etc.*

[4.] In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Churchwarden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Church or Congregation.

*Certificate of desire for reception.*

[5.] Such certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention during its session, or to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, a certificate thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, who shall thereupon place its name on the list of foreign Churches under the direction of the General Convention; and also a copy of the same shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of the Church, and such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government

*Certificate of satisfaction.*

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and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

*Jurisdiction of  
Presiding Bishop  
may be assigned.*

[6.] Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in the United States, the full Episcopal charge of such Churches or Congregations, and the Clergymen officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient: *Provided*, such commissions shall not extend to a period longer than three years, and shall then cease and determine, unless renewed by the Presiding Bishop.

*Proviso.*

*Standing Com-  
mittee of Foreign  
Churches.*

[7.] To aid the Presiding Bishop, or the Bishop in charge of these foreign Churches, in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by means of their peculiar situation, arise, there shall be a Standing Committee, to consist of communicants of this Church, who shall be chosen and elected as follows: Each Church or Congregation, thus in union with the General Convention, shall have the right to nominate, to the Bishop in charge, one person, who shall be a communicant, and the General Convention shall nominate four persons, of whom two at least shall be Clergymen, who shall hold office until the General Convention next ensuing, and until their successors are elected, and together they shall constitute the said Standing Committee, of which the Bishop in charge of said foreign Churches shall be the chairman. Said Committee shall have power to fill all vacancies in the same. A majority of all the mem-



*Of Congregations and Parishes.*

bers resident in the United States shall be a quorum. This Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall desire their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

[8.] In case a Clergyman in charge of either of these Congregations in foreign lands shall be charged with either of the punishable offences, as specified in Section i of Canon 2 of Title II of the Digest, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Churches to summon the Standing Committee above provided for, and to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public charges; and should there be reasonable grounds for believing them to be true, the Bishop in charge and the Standing Committee, shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Clergymen and two Laymen, whose duty it shall be to obtain all the evidence in the case from the parties interested, and who shall, if possible, hold their meeting in the place where the accused resides, giving to the accused all rights under the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The judgment of said Commission, solemnly made and subscribed to, shall then be sent to the Bishop in charge, and to the Presiding Bishop, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect: *Provided*, that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than admonition or removal from his charge as

*Inquiry to be instituted.*

*Commission appointed.*

*Proviso.*

### *Of Congregations and Parishes.*

Minister of said Congregation. Should the result of the inquiry of the aforementioned Commission reveal evidence tending to show that said Clergyman deserves a severer discipline, then all the documents in the case shall be placed in the hands of the Presiding Bishop, who shall then proceed against said Clergyman (as far as possible) according to the Canon of Discipline, under Title II of the Digest, and the Diocesan Canons of the Diocese of the said Presiding Bishop.

*Parochial cure of Minister.*

[9.] If there be but one such Church or Congregation within the limits of any city, said city shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge of the same, and no new Church or Congregation shall be established therein, unless with the consent of the Bishop in charge, and of the Standing Committee herein appointed. Nor shall any Church or Congregation be organized in any foreign city, under the provisions of this Canon, unless with the approval of the Bishop in charge, and the Standing Committee herein provided for.

*Differences to be adjusted on principles of Ecclesiastical law.*

[10.] In cases of difference between the Minister and his Congregation, the Bishop in charge shall, with the Standing Committee, duly examine the same, and said Bishop and Standing Committee shall have full power to settle, and, if possible, adjust such differences upon the recognized principles of Ecclesiastical law, as laid down in the Canon law of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

*Clergyman to be nominated by the Vestry, and approved by the Bishop in charge.*

[11.] No Clergyman shall be allowed to take charge of such Congregation until he shall have been nominated by the Vestry thereof (or, if there

*Of the Organization of New Dioceses.*

be no such Vestry, by the Standing Committee, provided for by this Canon), and approved by the Bishop in charge; and when such appointment shall have been accepted by the Clergyman so appointed, he shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Bishop in charge.<sup>a</sup>

*Clergyman to be transferred.*

## CANON 5.

*Of the Organization of New Dioceses.<sup>b</sup>*

§ i. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which another is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

*Organization of new Dioceses.*

*Primary Convention.*

§ ii. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention, pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting,

*The call, by whom to be made.*

<sup>a</sup> As amended, 1877.

<sup>b</sup> See the Constitution, Article 5, 1856.

# Title III.

## CANON 6.

### *Of the Requisites of a Quorum.*

*When it must be made.*

shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese within the limits of which the new one is erected, or the Standing Committee of the eldest of the Dioceses by the junction of which, or parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.<sup>a</sup>

*Division of a Diocese.*

§ iii. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.<sup>b</sup>

*New Diocese admitted into union on organization.*

§ iv. Whenever the formation of a new Diocese shall be ratified by the General Convention, such new Diocese shall be considered as admitted under Article 5 of the Constitution, so soon as it shall have organized in Primary Convention, in the manner prescribed in the previous Sections of this Canon, and the naming of the new Diocese shall be a part of its organization.<sup>c</sup>

*Naming of new Diocese.*

## CANON 6.

### *Of the Requisites of a Quorum.*

*A majority is a quorum.*

In all cases in which a Canon of the General Convention directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised, by a Standing Committee,

<sup>a</sup> Amended 1874.

<sup>b</sup> Canon 8, 1838.

<sup>c</sup> § iv added 1871.

## CANON 7.

### *Formation of a Federate Convention, etc.*

or by the Clerical members thereof, or by any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum; and a majority of the quorum so convened shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.<sup>a</sup>

*Majority of a quorum competent to act.*

## CANON 7.

### *Authorizing the Formation of a Federate Convention or Council of the Dioceses within any State.*

It is hereby declared lawful for the Dioceses now existing or hereafter to exist, within the limits of any State or Commonwealth, to establish for themselves a Federate Convention, or Council, representing such Dioceses, which may deliberate and decide upon the common interests of the Church within the limits aforesaid; but before any determinate action of such Convention, or Council, shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised thereby shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval.

*The Dioceses within any State may form a Federate Convention, or Council,*

*with the approval of the General Convention.*

Nothing in this Canon shall be construed as forbidding any Federate Council from taking such action as they may deem necessary to secure such legislative enactments as the common interests of the Church in the State may require.<sup>b</sup>

*Legislative action may be secured.*

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1855.

<sup>b</sup> Canon of 1868.

### *Of the Constitution, etc.*

#### CANON 8.

*Of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.*

§ i. The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows:

*Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as established in 1820, and since amended at various times.*

*Name.*

ARTICLE I. This institution shall be denominated The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

*Of whom composed.*

ARTICLE II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

*Board of Missions.*

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, and the members for the time being of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to the said House of Deputies, and the members of the Board of Managers as hereinafter described. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the session of the General Convention, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand.

*Shall convene on the third day of session of General Convention.*



*Of the Constitution, etc.*

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Board of Managers, comprising all the Bishops, the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed by the Board of Missions or by the Board of Managers, and fifteen Presbyters and fifteen laymen, to be appointed by the Board of Missions at every triennial meeting of the General Convention, who shall have the management of the General Missions of this Church, and shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. Eight Clerical members and eight Lay members shall constitute a quorum. But whenever demanded by three members, a majority of the Bishops present, and a majority of the Clerical members present, and a majority of the Lay members present, shall be necessary to any act of the Board. This Board of Managers shall, when the Board of Missions is not in session, exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Board of Managers shall report to the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention. But nothing herein contained shall affect the rights of any surviving life-members of the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form, from its own members, a Committee for Domestic Missions and a Committee for Foreign Missions, and such other Committees as it may deem desirable to promote special Missionary work, and is also authorized to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on the work.

ARTICLE VI. The Board of Managers is in-

*Board of Managers, how constituted.*

*How appointed.*

*Vacancies filled.*

*Quorum.*

*Vote by orders.*

*Powers.*

*Report to Board of Missions.*

*Committees may be formed in Board of Managers.*

### *Of the Constitution, etc.*

*Board of Managers has power to establish and regulate certain Missions.*

*Appropriations.*

*Who may be appointed Missionaries.*

*Auxiliary Associations.*

trusted with power to establish and regulate such Missions as are not placed under Episcopal supervision, and to enact all by-laws which it may deem necessary for its own government and for the government of its Committees: *Provided, always*, that in relation to organized Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions having Bishops, the appropriations shall be made in gross to such Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, to be disbursed by the local authorities thereof. The Board shall notify to the several Bishops the gross sums so appropriated; and those Bishops shall regulate the number of Mission Stations, appoint the Missionaries, and assign to them their stipends, with the approval of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to

*Of the Constitution, etc.*

arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at the same time and place as the General Convention, and at such other times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send one Clerical and one Lay Delegate.

*Public Missionary meetings.*

ARTICLE IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of this Church.

*Constitution may be altered.*

§ ii. All Canons, and all action by or under the authority of the General Convention, so far as inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon and of such amended Constitution, are hereby repealed: *Provided, however*, that nothing herein shall in any manner impair or affect any corporate rights of the said society, or any vested right whatever.

*Canons repealed.*

§ iii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Canon of 1871; as amended, 1877, 1880, and 1883.

# Title IV.

## MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

### CANON 1.

#### *Of Repealed Canons.*

*Repeal of repeal  
no re-enactment.*

WHENEVER there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.<sup>a</sup>

### CANON 2.

#### *Of the Enactment, Amendment, and Repeal of Canons.*

*Form of altering  
Canons.*

§ i. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Title —, Canon —, Section —, Clause —, is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of numbering of the Title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon or Section or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed, or until changed as in the next Section provided.<sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Canon 11, 1838.

<sup>b</sup> As amended, 1877.

CANON 4.

*Of the Time when New Canons shall take Effect.*

§ ii. The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each Session of the General Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any Canon to another, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.<sup>a</sup>

*Who are to certify changes in Canons.*

CANON 3.

*Of the Time of these Canons taking Effect.*

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1860; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby, and shall be deemed to be, repealed: *Provided*, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.<sup>b</sup>

*Time of taking effect.*

*General repeal.*

CANON 4.

*Of the Time when New Canons shall take Effect.*

All Canons hereafter enacted, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall take effect on the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Convention at which they are made.<sup>c</sup>

*New Canons take effect January 1.*

<sup>a</sup> Added, 1859; amended, 1877.    <sup>b</sup> Canon of 1859.    <sup>c</sup> Canon of 1871.

*The foregoing is a true copy of the Constitution and Canons.*

ALFRED LEE, D.D., LL.D.,

*Bishop Presiding.*

*Attest, WILLIAM TATLOCK, D.D.,*

*Secretary of the House of Bishops.*

E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, D.D., LL.D.,

*President of the House of Deputies.*

*Attest, CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,*

*Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 26, A.D. 1883.

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## Appendix.\*

*Joint Resolution of the Two Houses of General Convention on the duty of the Clergy of this Church in the matter of bearing arms :*

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, that it is incompatible with the duty, position, and sacred calling of the Clergy of this Church to bear arms.

*The Clergy not to bear arms;*

*Explanatory Note, by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies :*

The spirit and intent of this resolution do not extend to the office of Chaplain in either branch of the Military Service, nor to that of Professor or Instructor in any Military or Naval Academy. The duties of these offices are civil, and entirely compatible with the duties of the Sacred Ministry.

*but may be Chaplains, Professors, or Instructors.*

## Order.

*Of the Organization of the House of Deputies, and prescribing the Duties of the Secretary.<sup>b</sup>*

(Adopted October 15, 1841; amended October 2, 1844, October 9, 1874, October 26, 1874, October 8, 1877, October 26, 1877, and October 15, 1883.)

§ i. At the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention, the Secretary, or in his absence one of the Assistant Secreta-

*Record of membership.*

\* *Appendix and Explanatory Note*, ordered in 1865.

<sup>b</sup> Ordered to be printed as an appendix to the Digest, 1874.

*Organization of the House of Deputies, etc.*

*Election of officers.*

*Their duties.*

*Duties of the Secretary.*

*Duration of office.*

ries, in the order of their appointment, or in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is to meet, shall call to order the members present of the House of Deputies, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him; which record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats in the House of Deputies. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary; and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. So soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and its readiness to proceed to business.

The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; transcribe them, with all reports, into a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to his successor; and perform such other duties as may be directed or assigned to him by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint three Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next Convention, and until their successors be chosen.

*Organization of the House of Deputies, etc.*

If, during the recess of the General Convention, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretaries; or if the Assistant Secretaries shall die or resign, a Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

*Vacancy during a recess.*

§ ii. In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the list specified in the preceding section, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the Testimonials of Members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such Testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

*Duty of Diocesan Secretaries.*

§ iii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the Convention, although not returned as Deputies to the Convention, shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the approval of the President, to speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

*Privileges of the Secretary and the Treasurer.*

§ iv. Previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

*Secretary to determine by lot the seats of the Deputies.*

## Standing Order.

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### *Of Delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions.*

(Adopted by the House of Deputies, October 24, 1871; amended, October 27, 1880; and also amended, October, 1883.)

*Resolved*, That one Clerical and one Lay Delegate, to be chosen by any Convocation of all the Clergy and representatives of the Laity, convoked by the authority of the Bishop of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, shall have seats assigned to them in this House, with similar privileges to those of Deputies, except that they shall have no vote on any question or matter: and that this be a Standing Order of the House.

## Standing Resolution.

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### *Of the Expenses of the Presiding Bishop.*

(Adopted by the House of Deputies, October 18, 1877.)

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay, from time to time, on the order of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, such expenses as he may necessarily incur in the execution of his office for clerk hire, printing, stationery, etc., not exceeding four hundred dollars in any one year; it being understood that the travelling expenses of the Presiding Bishop are paid by the Diocese or other body at whose instance they are incurred.

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